

Beleeve the Promises, so
shall you prosper.

By beleeving and applying the
Promises we come to partake
of the divine nature.

2 Pet. 1. 4. Whereby are given
unto us exceeding great and pre-
cious Promises, that by these we
might be partakers of the divine
nature.

2 Cor. 7. 1. Having^p herefore
these Promises 'dearly beloved
let us cleanse our selves from all
filthines of the flesh and spirit
perfecting holynes in the feare of
God.

THE
SAINTS
LEGACIES

OR
A Collection of certain
Promises out of the
WORD OF GOD.

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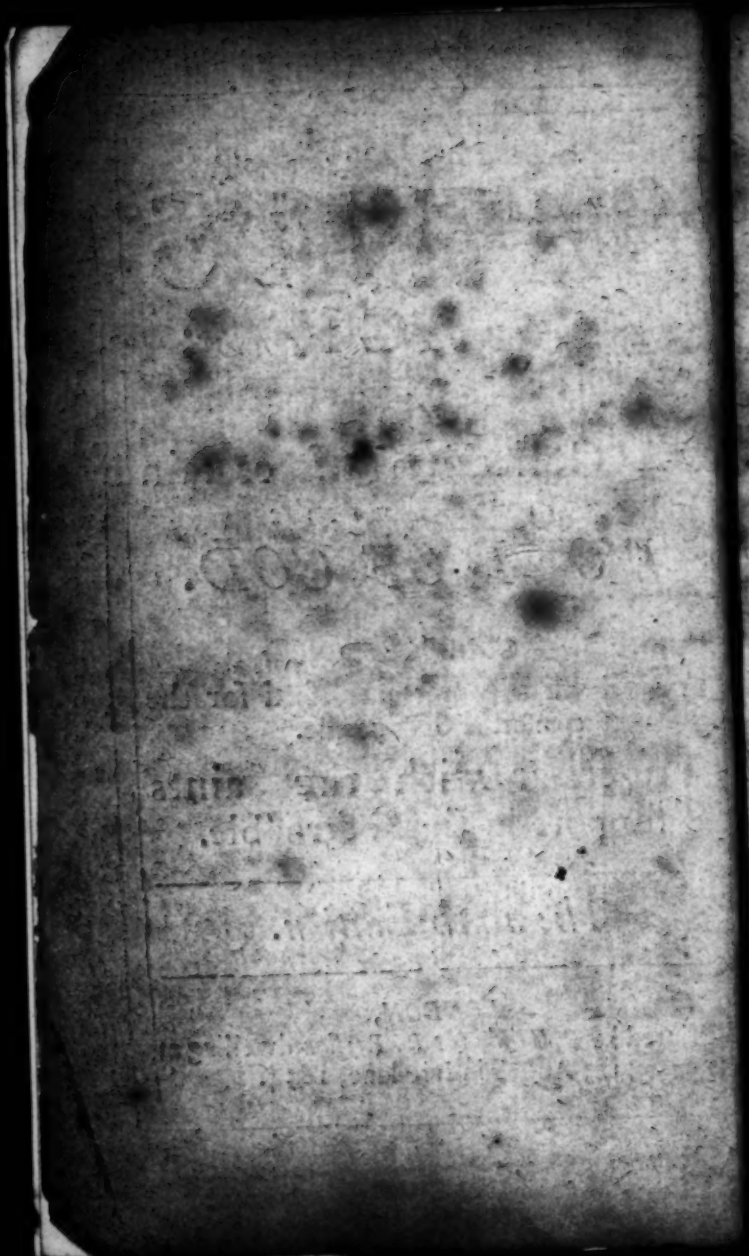
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support in time of trouble.

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TO
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
and happy Society of all true Be-
lievers militant in *England,*
Scotland, and Ireland;

A Friend to you, and the Au-
thor wisheth fulnesse of Grace,
Peace, and heavenly comfort, certai-
n assurance, sealed euidence, and seasona-
ble entrance into, and possession of the celesti-
all, promised, incorruptible, undefiled, and
never fading inheritance.

Beloved Believers,
both you and I, are
infinitely beholden
to our everliving
Father, who hath made his will

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To all true

and given all us his children
great wealth, rich portions,
and large Legacies, now in
present possession; graces, and
comforts, in unshaken expecta-
tion, and assured reversion,
perfection and eternall glory.
We are greatly beholding to
Jehovah for his will directory,
hortatory, correctory, but
most of all for his will conso-
latory, in which he salves all
our sores; physicks all our sick-
nesses; medicines all our mala-
dies, *Psal. 103. 4.* Heales all our
diseases, and crownes us with
loving kindnesse and tender
mercies. And surely we are all
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of us much beholding to the
holy Authour of this sweet
(though little) book, who
hath so piously, painfully, and
profitably perused the holy
will of our heavenly Father,
and wisely sought and found
out & put into our hands, the
spiritual portion, and Soul-Le-
gacies, given and bequeathed
unto us by our best friend, ma-
ny of which, most scarce knew
of, few sought and sued for
them, and very few comforta-
bly enjoyed, and wisely and
diligently used to the donors
glory, and their owne good.
Careles children come often
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times to beholden unto their more careful brethren & thriving friends, who save all they have, sure for all that is promised, and seeke for all they hear of: so it is here, wee carelesse, negligent, poore and il-thriven Christianes, must be beholding to this carefull, diligent, rich and well thriven Author, who obeyes *Pauls* counsel, *1 Cor. 12 31.* covets earnestly the best gifts, & will not suffer the heavenly Father to purse & keepe a penny that is due, to withhold grace or comfort (which he hath promised) in whole, or degree, but he shall hear of his
promise

promise, and if he doe not presently fulfill according to covenant, a Petition is speedily drawne to be Preferred in the Court of heaven, and an Advocate prepared Jesus Christ the righteous, 1 *John* 2.1 Suit (by prayer, begun, and in an eager pursuit continued, til the thing promised be performed.

This little Book, & private Practise of the Authour (who hath sued for all these Legacies, & in some good measure hath attained the same, and thereby is become spiritually rich will sufficiently prove what I have spoken. We are much behol-

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den to this Authour, for letting us see our portions and Legacies in our Fathers will, and setting us a worke both by Pen & practise to sue for the same.

The volume is little, but the vertue contained in the same is great. The booke is extraordinary, being altogether for application and practise. The scope and drift of it is, to furnish believers with abundance of good; to free them from all sinnes inward, outward, secret, and open; To fill them with all graces in life, power, and exercise; To bring them comfort in, and seasonable deliverance

liverance from all their troubles ; to draw down upon their souls and bodies abundance of blessings of all sorts and natures : to give them full assurance of certaine and scale-nable entrance into glory, and to give them fast hold of heaven.

There are many, I know, that will little regard it : the Prophane person will not like it, for it is full of holinesse : the carnall Protestant will not discern of it, nor relish it, for it is spirituall : the dissembling hypocrite will not well approve of it, for it will rob him of his

Rimmon,

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Rimmon, slay his *M^{ris}*, his *Dalilah*, his *Herodias*, his darling sin, it will tell him, if he applies promises, he must keepe the conditions, obey precepts, and put every iniquity, though never so pleasurable or profitable, far away from his Tabernacles. But the honest-hearted and sincere Beleever will approve of it, prize it, use it, and profit by it.

And not to over commend my commodity, as one desirous to make it more vendible, and saleable (for neither I, nor its Author, God is witness, aime at any such thing, but

but at the spirituall good of
their souls unto whom it
(shall come) this little Book,
like a well filled little A-
pothecaries shoppe, containes
within it heavenly receipts of
all sorts, wholesome physick of
every kind for expelling & cu-
ring all sorts of diseases & sick-
nesses incident to Saints, and
for the corroborating and
strengthening of new nature,
and for keeping the spirituall
man in good health lusty and
strong, able for Gods service,
Phil. 2. 2. and for working
out his owne salvation with
fear and trembling. What here

I speake unto one Beleever, I
intend for all.

Hath sin that deadly poy-
son infected thee? Loc here in
this litle book an Antidote,
a preservative, which will ex-
tract and expell this poyson.
Hath this Serpent so fiery
stung thee? *Num. 21.8* Loc
here the *Brazen Serpent* upon
the pole. Hath it beggered and
undone thee? *Job. 3. 14, 15.*
Behold a way in this book
how thou mayst become rich.
Doth it daily trouble thee;
will it needs tyrannize and do-
mineere over thee? This little
book will learn thee to depose
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this tyrant, *Rom. 6. 14.* and tell thee he shall not have dominion and Lordship over thee. Hath it stricken thee dead? Lo here's meanes of reviving & inliv'ning thee to an happy life of grace. Doth it threaten thy ruin? Loe here physicke for thy feares, *1 Cor 15. 35.* death hath lost its sting, sin is destroyed, death shall fully and finally free thee from it. Art thou hunted like a poor Lamb by the hellish devouring Lyon Satan, and chased before this infernall dogg, like a silly Deer, in temptations? Loe here a thicket, a shelter, a shepherd

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herd, under which thou mayst
repose and rest thy selfe in safe-
ty. Art thou overcome with
his wily stratagems? Loe here
wisdom. Art thou beaten
downe with his power? Loe
here strength. Fearest thou the
fiery darts of this evill one? Loe
here a little house full of tar-
gets, shields, and bucklers, *Eph.*
6. 16. (promises applyed by
faith) which will repell and
quench them. *Iob. 4. 4.* Doe
Gods terrors set themselves in
array against thee? are Gods ar-
rowes in thee? doth his fla-
ming wrath burne in thy bo-
some, and is likely to consume
thee?

Believers.

thee? Loe streames of mercy
and grace from a refreshing
fountaine fluent in the pipes
of the promises, by thy hand
of faith turne the cock, and the
coole water of Gods grace and
mercy shall flow forth upon
thy soul, and allay its burn-
ing heat, and inflammationes.
Doth the wilie world indea-
vour to entangle and inveagle
thee by its lures and snares?
Loe here liberty, freedome,
better things propounded, &
promised, which believers doe
for the present in some mea-
sure enjoy, and shall have a
most certain and full possession
of

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of afterwards. Wantest thou Grace, comfort, deliverance, blessing, or any good thing? Behold, here thou mayst have them, to the great joy of thine heart, & content of thy spirit.

Set faith a work to draw out what thou wantest, and thou shalt have it. Suck these sweet and heavenly breasts of God by the mouth of thy faith; open these pipes and veins of the promises, which run so full of mercy, grace, truth, comfort, joy and peace, for every believer, by faith, & thou shalt be satiate with every good thing.

Lest I should make too
great

great a porch for this little house, and too great gates for this little City, I will conclude, with an exhortation to all my beloved brethren and sisters which are Believers, to perfect their faith by application of the promises, both of these in this sweete little Book, and of all others, contayned in the Old and New Testament.

Suffer not Gods promises (as I may say) to milke themselves, doe you draw them, let not good rest with God, which you may have by believing & begging, to your great comfort and enriching, but

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but take Gods commodities
off his hand, trade with that
wealthy Merchant in the far
Country, the Lord Iesus in
heaven, for his rich commodi-
ties of graces and comforts,
and glorious hopes, untill you
be rich and wealthy; and
for this purpose caule those
two good factours, *Faith*
and *Prayer*, founded upon, and
quickned and confirmed by the
pretious promises, alway to
trade for you in heaven, untill
you come thither your selves.
I would desire all beleevers to
make this their pocket booke,
that it may solicite and wooc
them

Beleevers.

them to prayer, make solid and firme their, faith increase their graces, comforts, and heavenly hopes, prepare them for enduring the stormes of trouble and tempests of temptations, and may encourage them in holy well-doing and Christian perseverance unto the end. *Heb. 6. 12.* Now bretheren, my hearts desire is, that yee be not slothfull, but followers of them, who through faith and patience inherit the promise.

That you may be inheritors of them, it shall bee my dayly Prayer unto the Lord my God, to bestow upon your hearts

To all true &c.

hearts to use all good means
for the attaining of the good,
in these and other promises of
God unto his people: that he
would teach and enable you
to meditate upon them dili-
gently day and night, to be-
lieve them firmly; to apply
them severally, particularly,
personally, to sue for them
earnestly by prayer constant
and fervent, to wait for their
promised accomplishment by
patience, that so you may en-
joy the good of them here and
hereafter: Which God in mer-
cy grant unto mee, and also
you, Amen.

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To the Reader.

MA N which at the beginning was created happy, *Gen. 1. 26. Eph. 2. 10.* having now lost God and his Image, is of all earthly creatures become most miserable, no lesse than a slave of the devill, a child of wrath, and an heire of eternall damnation, *Eph. 2. 2, 3.* This is not the estate of a few only, but of all mankind out of Christ; for we are all by nature under the curse, *2. Cor. 4. 4. Rom. 5. 19. Gal. 3. 10.* The best, before their conversion, were by nature children of wrath, even as others, *Ephesians. 2. 3. Romans. 5. ver. 12.* for every wo-
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mans child did fall equally in *Adam*: hence it comes to passe, that no man by nature is now in better esteem with God then other. *Cain & Abel* as children of the first *Adam* onely were equally miserable; the like may be said of us all, for both *Jewes* and *Gentiles* are come under sin, *Rom. 3. 9* and as the *Psalmist* saith, We all are gon out of the way we are altogether becom filthy, ther is none righteous, no not one, *Psalm. 14. 3*. O that men & women had their eyes enlightened, and judgements convinced of that woeful plight in w^{ch} naturally they are! Oh! were their hearts thoroughly loaden therewith, surely they would not long content themselves therein. The truth is, most in the world are spiritually blind, & cannot discern their owne misery; and spiritually dead too, *1 John 5. 19. Eph. 2. 1. 5.* & cannot be affected with it. The hol
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Ghost faith thus of them, Ephe. 4. 18, 19. They walke in the vanity of their mind, having their understanding darkened, and are strangers from the life of God; through the ignorance which is in them, because of the hardnesse of their hearts: who being past feeling, have given themselves unto wantonnesse, to worke all uncleannesse with greedinesse. Such, as these, are so far from having any right to Gods promises, that for the present they are under the curse, & consequently in the dint of all the Plagues & threatnings in Gods book Dent. 27. ult. Dent. 28. 50. 63. Wherefore let not such as yet challenge any comfort from the Promises, but let them rather labour to the uttermost of their power, in using all good meanes to be made capable and fit subjects for mercy revealed in the Promise. Is it not pity so many sweet promises of life should bee

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made,

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made, and yet thou dye and be damned notwithstanding? Pray fervently to God that he would touch thy heart with grief for all thy sins, and worke in thee a clear apprehension of thine owne unworthinesse; *Act. 2. 37. Luk 15. 19.* and that he would bestow faith on thee, that by it thou must be able to go wholly out of thy self to God through Jesus Christ for salvation.

Wee having departed from him who is the God of all grace and consolation, are fallen into an estate of abasement, desolation, and misery and cannot be recovered again into the former estate of spiritual life, and happiness, unless we be brought againe to him who is the foundation of life and happiness, even the living God; and brought to him we can never be, but by faith, *Heb. 11. 6.* which is nothing els but the going out of the

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soul to God through Christ, to fetch
a new principle of spirituall life, &
grace, which once in *Adam* we lost,
and now need. The which worke of
faith is not wrought but by the pro-
mises; & being wrought in our hearts,
gives us a most sure right & interest
unto all the promises of grace, *Rom. 10.*
8. 17. Heb. 6. 12, 17. Thus we through
faith & patience, are said to inherit
the promises, therefore we are called
the heirs of the promise: the promises
are as well ours, who truely beleeve,
as heaven it selfe is. Now by these
heavenly promises, God our father
hath engaged himself as a debtor to
us his poore children for all things
needfull to life and godlinesse, *2 Pet.*
1. 3. untill that blessed time comes
when we shall be put into full pos-
session of all things which wee have
now only in promise: at that time
Faith shal end in fruition, and *Promi-*

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ses in performance. As the soul is the life of the body, and faith the life of the soule, so are Gods Promises the life of faith. For from whence hath faith his efficacy, but because it layeth hold on the free promises? but from whence have the promises their strength? even from the constant nature of *Jehovah*, 2 Cor. 1. 20. who alwaies gives a being to his word. Desirest thou faith? then take notice of Gods Promises: wouldst thou have thy faith like the light in the Lords Sanctuary never to goe out? then acquaint thy self with Gods promises, know them wel, meditate on them, confer about them: let them be continually in thy mind, memory, heart, and tongue. Satan laboureth in nothing more than to keep us in unbelief, especially of particular promises; for he knows if we believe them, we shall in all things have the victory.

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come before God with boldnes, carry peace in our own bosomes to our graves, and doe and suffer any thing for God, 1 *John* 5. *Eph.* 2. *Rom.* 15. *Heb.* 11. Oh the abundance of sweet cordiall comfort, which all humble beleevers draw by faith out of every promise! Now beloved, these pretious promise (our breasts of consolation) whereupon our happinesse so much depends, lie hid in the holy Scripture as yeines of Gold in the earth, *Isa.* 66. 11, 12. Surely those that search those mines to bring to light these treasures, are worthy of great comendation. Wherefore I doubt not but the good pains of this blessed and faithful servant of God will find good entertainment of all the children of the promises, that hope to entertain them, who hath with great care and good evidence of spiritual understanding discovered & compiled the variety

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riety and use of all the promises in matters temporal, spiritual, & eternal. So that here is a medicine for every disease, and a salve for every sore. Read them carefully, & ponder them seriously, & apply them faithfully. And I beseech the good Lord, who is the Author of them, that by his holy Spirit he would make them powerfull, and effectuell in us.

Consider what is said, and the Lord give us understanding in all things,
2 Tim. 2. 7.

And I beseech the good Lord, who is the Author of them, that by his holy Spirit he would make them powerfull, and effectuell in us.

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RULES
TO BE OBSERVED
IN READING OF
PROMISES

Whatsoever Promise is made in
generall to all the faithfull
every one must particularly
apply it to themselves. as
Gen. 3. 14. the Messiah is promised to
all, every one must apply him to them-
selves.

2. Whatsoever promise is made to
any one of the faithfull (if there be not
some particular reason which ties it to
his person, as was to Abraham for a
sonne, and his seed to inherit the land of
Canaan) every child of God hath right
to it: as you may see, Joshua 1. 5. I will
not faile thee nor forsake thee. This

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every one may apply to themselves, as we know the Holy Ghost applies it, Heb. 13. 5. For he hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee. Which teacheth us to do the like in all the rest of the promises.

3. Under temporall promises to the Jewes, are set forth the excellent promised graces, which God will give to his people after the comming of Christ, Ezek. 34. 25, 26, 27.

4. When we reade the conditions of the promises, they are not like to the duties of the law, made to the perfect-fulfillers of them; the promises are Evangelicall, made to those which endeavour to keepe them, and the maine conditions of them are faith.

5. In all the promises, for increase of grace, or meanes of grace, or for any earthly thing, wee must know we shall have them so farre performed to us, as the Lord seeth good for us.

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6. In our weak endeavorings to keep the promises, we must beleve the performanceto us, in, by and through Christ; In whom all the promises of God are yea, and Amen, that is, as I conceive, confirmed and made good to us in him, 2 Cor. 2. 20. when we can see nothing in our selves, why they should be performed to us, even then we are to claime them for Christs sake; if thou be in Christ: for if thou be not in him, no promise belongs to thee: but that threatnings and judgments are thy portion, and nothing else can we claime as our due. Sorrow, weeping, and howling is that which God requireth of us, and not laying hand upon the comfortable promises, till we hunger after Christ; which God grant wee may doe more and more, till we come to be satisfied with his Image in the life to come Psal. 17. 15.

1. In our minds concerning to
 the promise, namely, that the
 reward is, in, by and through Christ
 in whom all the promises of God
 are, and which, that is, as I consider
 confirmed in the words of the apostle
 Cor. 2. 20: where we can see nothing
 unsolved, why they should be perform-
 ed to us, even then we are to claim them
 for Christ's sake; if then he is Christ
 for if they be not in him, we cannot be-
 long to him: but that the things be-
 long to him are the portion, and nothing
 else can we claim as our due. For
 nothing is wanting in the reward
 of us, and nothing is wanting
 in the rewardable promise, that is, in
 the gift of Christ; which God cannot
 give to any but to those who are
 united with him in his Son.

Rom. 8. 17.

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THE SAINTS LEGACIES

These promises I have observed
for spiritual things.

The I. LEGACY

If we finde nothing in our selves
that may move God.

WHen wee finde nothing
in our selves that might
move the Lord to have
mercy, then apply these
promises, *Isaiah 43. 25. I, even*
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are bee, that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine owne sake, and will not remember thy sinne, Isai. 44. 22. I have blotted out as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and as a cloud thy sinnes: returne unto me, for I have redeemed thee.

Jer. 31. 14. I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Ezek. 36. 25. I will sprinkle cleane water upon you, and ye shall be cleane from all your filthinesse.

Isai. 57. 18. I have seene his wayes, and will heale him; I will leaue him also, & restore comforts unto him, and to his mourners.

These promises are free, made by the Lord, not for any thing that is in man, as you may see in *Isaiah* 43. from the 22 verse to the 25. for the Lord saith, they had not called upon him, but wearied the Lord, brought him no offering, yea wearied him with their sinnes; and yet in the 25. verse,

verse he saith, for his owne sake hee would forgive their finnes.

These promises wee shall have alwayes need of, as at our conversion, so afterwards many times we shal in our own feeling find nothing in our selves to perswade us of the pardon of our finnes, then we must flye to these free promises. When thou seest nothing in thy selfe why the Lord should pardon thy finnes, and therefore doubtst of the pardon of them, apply, *I am he that puts away thy finnes for mine owne sake.*

When thy finnes rise up as a cloud, that thou canst see nothing but the, apply, *I have put away thy finnes as a cloud.*

When thou fearest the multitude of thy finnes, apply, *You shall be cleane from all your finnes.*

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The II. LEGACY.

If we feare God will remember
our sinnes to punish them.

WHen we feare God will re-
member our sinnes before
committed, to punish us for them,
apply, Jer. 31. 34. I will remember his
sinne no more, Ezek. 18. 22. His trans-
gressions which he hath committed
shall not be mentioned to him, but in the
righteousnes which he hath done, shall he
live.

Ezek. 33. 16. None of his sins that
he hath committed shall be mentioned to
him.

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The III. LEGACY.

If often sinning cause the doubt
of pardon.

When thine often sinning cau-
seth thee to feare that God
will not pardon thee, apply, Job 33.
27, 28, 29. He looketh upon men, and if
any say, I have sinned, & perverted that
which was right, and it profiteth me not:
he will deliver his soule from going into
the pit, and his life shall see the light.
Loe all these things work with God,
oftentimes with man. Wherefore
beleeve not Satan that perswades
the contrary, nor let thy corruptions
make thee bold to presume of par-
don; for though God promise par-
don, yet it is to the penitent; not to
the presumptuous, as ver. 27.

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The IV. Legacy.

If thou despaire.

When thou art at the pits brink
 of despaire, and art dried
 up with sorrow, then goe to some
 faithfull preacher that is able to
 preach Christ unto thee, and apply
 these promises: Job 33. 24, 25, 26.

Then hee is gracious unto him, and
 saith deliver him from going downe to
 the pit: I have found a ransom. His
 flesh shall be fresher than a child; he
 shall returne to the dayes of his Youth.
 He shall pray unto God, and he shall be
 favorable unto him; and he shall see his
 face with joy: for he will render unto
 man his righteousness.

Isa. 57. 19. I create the fruit of the
 lipe, peace, peace, unto him that is far off,
 and to him that is near, saith the Lord,
 and I will heale him.

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When thou comcest to the uttermost extremity for sin, apply, *I will have mercy on him, and deliver him, that he goe not down to the pit.*

When thou fearest that God or his Ministers will not speak peace unto thee, apply, *I have received a reconciliation, I create the fruit of the lips to be peace, to them that are farre off, and to and to them that are neare.*

When thy sorrows have withered thee up, apply, *He shall retorne as in the days of his youth, and his flesh shall be as the flesh of a child.*

If in this estate thou fearest God wil not heare prayers for thee, apply *He shall pray to God, and he will be favorable to him.*

When thou fearest thou shalt not be able to look upon the Lord with joy, apply, *He shall see his face with joy*

When thou feelt not any thing in thy selfe, that should cause thee not
to

to beleeeve this, apply, He wil render to
man his righteousnesse; which is (I
think) Christs righteousnesse, for
whose sake he will doe it.

The V. LEGACY.

If thou findeſt ſin an heavy bur
den, and Satan purſuing.

Vhen thou feeleſt ſin a heavy
burden, and Satan purſuing
thee with many feares by reaſon
of the ſame, flye to Chriſt, and ap
ply Mar. 11. 28, 29. come unto me all ye
that labour and are heavy laden, and
I will give you reſt. Mat. 1. 21. He ſhall
ſave his people from their ſinnes.
Rom. 16. 20. And the God of peace
ſhall bruife Satan under your feet ſhortly.
Iſa. 32. 3. And a man ſhall be as a hi
ding place from the wind, and a cover
from the tempeſt, as rivers of waters in

a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Thus doth Christ to the soule that flyes to him.

If Satan pursue thee, apply, *He is an hiding place.*

If storms of temptations and afflictions doe arise, apply, *He is a refuge against the tempest.*

If thy soule be ready to faint through weaknesse, apply, *He is a river of water in a dry place,* to revive thy spirits, and as the shadow of a great rock under which thou maist safely repose thy selfe. When thou findest thy finnes very heavy, apply, *I will ease you.*

When thou hast no rest in thy soule, because of sinne, apply, *you shall find rest to your soules.* He shall save his people from their sins, both from the punishment & the power. If thou fearest length of time in temptations, apply, *The God of peace shall*

shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly

The VI. LEGACY.

If thou turn from sinne, and yet doubt
of Pardon.

WHen thou turnest from sinne,
and doubttest of the pardon
of it, apply, Isa. 1. 18. Though your sin
be as scarlet, they shal be as white as snow,
though they be red like crimjon, they shall
be as wooll.

Isa. 55. 7. Let the wicked forsake his way,
& the unrighteous man his thoughts,
and let him returne unto the Lord, and
he will have mercy on him, and to our
God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Micah 7. 18, 19. Who is a God like
unto thee, who pardoneth iniquity, and
puffeth by the transgression of the rem-
nant of his heritage? he retaineth not
his anger forever, because he delighteth
in mercy. He will turne againe, he will
have

have compassion upon us, he will subdue our iniquities, and thou wilt cast all their sinnes into the depths of the sea. Proverbs 21. 13. He that confesseth and forsaketh his sinnes shall find mercy, 1 Joh. 1. 9. If we confesse our sinnes, he is faithfull and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousnesse.

When thou seest thy soule of a sinful colour, apply, Though they be red like crimson, they shall be as white as wooll.

If thou fearest God will hardly be intreated, apply, He will have mercy, for he is ready to forgive.

If we feare that our sinnes have taken such strong hold upon us, as we shall never get from them, apply, He will cleanse us from all our unrighteousnesse. Seeing God promiseth to be the cleanser, feare not the hardnesse of the worke.

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The VII. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have thy manifold rebellions subdued.

WHen thou feelest many rebellions in thine heart and life, & wouldst have them not onely pardoned, but subdued, apply, *Hos. 14. 5. I will heale their back-sliding.* Which promise (as I thinke) containes thus much, that God will not onely pardon, but heale us, and instead of rebellious hearts and lives will give us obedient hearts & lives for as healing followeth the curing of sicknesse: so obedience doth the curing of rebellion *Micah 7. 19. He will subdue our iniquities.*

When thou feelest sin very strong, flye to this promise, and apply the strength of him that promiseth, against the strength of sinne: it is the Lord that hath promised to subdue

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it; what though sin and Satan joyne their force together, yet the Lord is stronger than all their force, we need not doubt.

The VIII. LEGACY.

If thy heart be hard & full of corruption.

WHen thou feelest thine heart hard, and full of corruption, apply, Ezek. 36. 26. *A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.*

Deut. 30. 6. *And the Lord thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, that thou maist live.*

When thou feelest thine heart worldly, carnal, apply, *I will circumcise thy heart, A new heart will I give thee.*

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When nothing will breake thine heart, apply the power of *Jehovah*, that hath promised to cure thee, in taking away thy stony heart.

THE IX. LEGACY.

If unbridled nature break out into passion.

WHen thou canst not bridle nature, but it breakes forth into violent passions, to contention, apply, *Isa. 11. 6. The Wolfe also shall dwell with the Lambe, and the Leopard shall lye down with the kid, and the Calfe, & the young Lyon and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.* Such shall bee the power of the Gospell, that those which are by nature like Wolves and devouring beasts, shall dwell very peaceably: and if we find our nature such, we must apply, *The wolfe shall dwell with the Lambe.*

Micah

Micah 7. 19. He will subdue our iniquities, and will cast all our sinnes into the depth of the sea: that which is cast into the Sea, as it appeareth not in sight, so wee cannot get it againe, though we would: so will God do by your sinnes, cast them out of his sight, so as we shall not returne to them any more: presse him with his promise, and you shall find more then you think.

The X. LEGACY.

If thou be in bondage to some sin.

WHen thou feelest thy selfe in bondage to some sin, apply, John 8. 32. You shall know the truth, & the truth shall make you free.

Rom. 6. 14. Sinne shall not have dominion over you.

When thou feelest thy bondage, that thou canst not do good, or keep thy

thy selfe from evill; apply, *The truth shall make you free.*

If thy sinnes often prevail against thee, apply, *Sinne shall not have dominion over you.*

Psal. 130. 8. Hee shall redeeme Israel from all his iniquities.

The XI. LEGACY.

If thou fearest the breaking out of strong sinnes.

When thou feelest some sinne so strong in thee, that thou fearest it will breake out to Gods dishonour, and the blemishing of Religion, apply, *1 Thes. 5. 23, 24. That your whole spirit soule and body may be preserved blamelesse unto the coming of our Lord Iesus Christ. Faithfull is he that calleth you who also will doe it.* That God which hath called thee will keep thee blamelesse unto the coming of Christ; therefore use the

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means, & rest upon the Lords faithfulness, which never faileth them which trust in him.

2 Thes. 3. 3. But the Lord is faithfull, who shall stabliss you and keepe you from evill.

1 Joh. 1. 9. If we confesse our sinnes, he is faithfull & just to forgive us our sins, & to cleanse us from all unrighteousnes. By cleansing (as I thinke) is meant not onely from the guilt of sin, but the power of it, that the filthines of it shall not appeare in our lives and conversation. When sinne pursues thee hard to make thee fal, doe thou pursue the Lord with prayers, for performance of this promise, and doubt not of the issue. *1 John 1. 9. If we confesse our sinnes, he is faithfull & just to forgive us our sins, & to cleanse us from all unrighteousnes.* And to these adde the prayer of Christ John 17. 15. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the

coil. Now what greater evil than sin
therefore, though thy prayers be but
weake against it, yet he hath prayed
that was alway heard; therefore fight
and bee sure of victory.

The XH. LEGACY.

*When thou art stayed from sinne by
Admonition*

WHen thou art stayed from sin
by admonition, apply, Ezek
3. 21. If thou marne the righteous man
that the righteous sinne not, and he doe
not sin, he shall surely live, because he
is warned.

When any admonish thee, obey
it shal be life to thy soule, therefore
receive the admonition, and apply
He shall live, because he is admonished.

The XIII. LEGACY.

If thou fearest God will destroy thee for sin.

IF thou fearest God will destroy thee for thy sinnes, apply, Ezek. 18. 30. Turne your selves from all your transgressions, so iniquity shall not be your ruine.

Matt. 1. 21. He shall save his people from their sinnes.

When thou fearest the greatnes or multitude of thy sinnes will be thy destruction, apply, Iniquity shall not be your ruine.

When thou seeest no means of safety, apply, He (that is, Christ) shall save his people from their sinnes.

The XIV. LEGACY.

If thou be tempted to uncleannesse.

IF thou be tempted to uncleannes, apply Prov. 2. 16. He shall deliver thee

thee from the strange woman.

1 Thess. 5. 24. Thy body shall be kept blamelesse untill the coming of Christ.

The XV. LEGACY.

If thou canst not find out thy sinne,
for which God corrects thee.

IF thou canst not find out thy sin
for which God correcteth thee,
apply, Job 39.9. If they be tyed with
the cords of affliction, then will I shew
them their work and their sinnes.

A wise Father will not correct his
child, but he will shew him where-
fore; how else should he amend his
fault? much more will the Lord. But
we enjoy not many promises, be-
cause we sue not for them.

Thus farre about Sin, the next about
Grace.

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The XVI. LEGACY.

If thou doubt of salvation.

IN doubt of salvation, apply, God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever beleeueth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life, Joh. 3. 16.

Joh. 5. 24. He that heareth my word, and beleeueth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life.

Joh. 8. 51. If any man keep my saying, he shall never see death.

Joh. 11. 25. He that beleeueth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever beleeueth in me, shall never see death.

If thou doubt that thou shalt perish and not be saved, apply, He that beleeues in Christ, shall not perish, but

shall have everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation. Labor to beleeve these promises, for that is required of thee, for the obtaining of what is promised.

THE XVII. LEGACY.

*If thy heart be as a wilderness,
barren of good.*

WHen thou findest thy heart as a wilderness barren of good, apply, Esay 35. 1, 2. *The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them: and the desert shall rejoyce, and blossom as the Rose, It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoyce even with joy and singing.*

This promise is made to the Church, & every member of it may apply it to themselvs: therefore when thou feelest thine heart as a desert wilderness, & wast ground, void of good, full of bryers and thornes of sinne,

sinne, then know thou shalt not only bring forth sweet smelling graces, like Roses, but also all abundance of them.

Pro. 11. 28 *The righteous shall flourish as a branch,* Prov. 13. 4. *The soul of the diligent shall be made fat.*

Hos. 14. 5, 6. *I will be as the dew to Israel, he shall grow as the Lilly, and cast forth his rootes like Lebanon. His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the Olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.*

When we want meanes to make us fruitful, apply, *The Lord will be a dew to Israel.*

When we desire to flourish and grow up in grace, apply, *He shall grow as the lilly, his branch shall spread.*

If thou wouldst shine forth in the beauty of holynesse, apply, *His beauty shall be as the Olive tree, and as the Lillies, whose glory is greater than Solomons in all his Royalty.*

If thou wouldst have thy graces send forth a sweet smell, apply, *His smell shall be as Lebanon.*

If thou fearest the continuance of this estate, apply, *He shall fasten his roots as the trees of Lebanon.*

It matters not how great our barrenesse be when God will be a dew to us it: will quickly make us fruitfull, we shall bring forth fruits glorious to the sight, as the Lilly, and as the olive tree, and the sent of our graces shall be a sweet smelling savor, as the trees of Lebanon. Therefore though thou feelest thy heart yet barren, & thou hast used means long, and yet art not fruitful, still use the means, & believe, for therein did *Abraham* glorifie God, that he beleevd above hope, that *Sarah* should have a Son, whose womb was barren, & years past childbearing: so though thine heart remaine
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barren in thine owne feeling, after long use of meanes, yet still follow seeking in the meanes, & beleeve, for we have as sure promises, & as faithfull a performer, as *Abraham* had, *Jesus Christ*, yesterday, & to day, & the same for ever, *Jo. 7. 38.* *He that beleeueth on me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of water of life.*

The XVIII. LEGACY.

If thou wantest holynesse.

When thou art troubled for want of holynesse, apply, *Exod. 19. 6.* *You shall be an holy Nation.*

Deut. 28. 9. *And the Lord shall establish thee an holy People unto himselfe.*

The Lord wil make the holy; therefore sin, nor Satan, nor wicked men cannot hinder thy holynesse: for he that makes thee holy is stronger than all, and doth what he will.

1 Thess. 5. 23, 24. *The God of peace*

shall

shall sanctifie you throughout, in spirit, soule, and body. Faithfull is he which calleth you, which will also doe it.

THE XIX. LEGACY.

When thou canst not offer up any sacrifice.

VWhen thou canst not offer up any sacrifice to God of prayer or praise, or thy selfe in sacrifice, apply *Exod. 19. 3. Ye shall be unto me a Kingdome of Priests.* God promiseth that we shall be Priests, that is, such as shall offer up sacrifice unto him, for that was the priests office. Therefore when thou findest thy selfe unable to pray, or praise the Lord, or to offer up thy selfe to God, soule and body, strive in faith grounded on the promises, that he which commanded, hath also promised to make us able to doe it, for he hath said, *We shall be Priests, Malac. 1. 11. In every Place.*

place incense shall be offered to my name,
and a pure offering, which is spoken of
the believing Gentiles; therefore thou
being one of them, shalt be able to
offer up pure offerings.

The XX. LEGACY.

When thou feelest but little grace.

VWhen thou feel'st little grace,
knowledge, faith, love re-
pentance, all very little, apply, Job
8.7. Though thy beginning be small,
yet thy later end shall greatly encrease.

Math. 13. 12. Whosoever hath, to
him shall be given; and he shall have a-
bundance.

Therefore let not thy small begin-
ning; discourage thee; but if thou
canst prove thou hast some grace,
then ioyne faith and diligence toge-
ther, & they will quickly make thee
rich.

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The XXI. LEGACY.

When all thy graces are weak,

WHen thou findest all thy graces very weak, and no strength to performe any spirituall duty, either prayer, or fasting, or any other duty, then apply, Psal. 29. 11. *The Lord will give strength unto his people.* Isai. 40. 29, 31. *He giveth power to the faint, and to them which have no might, he encreaseth strength. They that waite upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as Eagles, they shall runne and not be weary, they shall walke and not faint.*

When thou feelest thy self faint, stay thy selfe with this promise, *He gives strength to him that fainteth.*

When thou feelest no power, apply, *to him that hath no strength hee increaseth power.* If thou hast lost thy
power,

power, then stay thy selfe with this, *they shall renue their strength.*

If thou art ready to give over through wearinesse, then gather strength from this, *They shall run, and not be weary, and walk and not be faint.*

And if thou findest not these promises performed unto thee, either thou endeavourest not to keep the conditions, or else thou art negligent in searching out the promises, or cold in suing for them: the Lord will be sought to for the performance.

Isai. 41. 10. *I am thy God, I will strengthen thee, yea I will helpe thee, yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness,* Isai. 26. 4. *Trust thou in the Lord for ever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.*

To know there is strength in the Lord is no comfort, unlesse we know it shall be for us. The efore since it is given for a comfort, it must include

include this promise, *Thus the Lords strength for evermore shall be employed for our good.* Therefore when wee want for either soule or body, wee must fix our confidence in him, who will not faile us, if we seek unto him.

The XXII. LEGACY.

When thy heart is dried for want of grace.

WHen thou feelest thy heart dried up for want of grace, that thou canst not send forth any water of grace in thy thoughts, words and works, apply, Isa. 44. 3. *I will powre water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground.*

Isai. 58. 11. *The Lord shall satisfy thy soule in drought, and make fat thy bones, and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of waters, whose waters faile not.*

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Jer. 17. 8. He shall be as a tree planted by the waters, That spreadeth out her rootes by the river, and shall not see when heate cometh: but her leafe shall be greene, and shall not be carefull in the yeare of drought, neither shall cease from yeelding fruit.

Jer. 31. 12. Their soul shall be as a watered garden.

Jam. 4. 6. God giveth grace unto the humble.

Isai. 35. 6, 7. In the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert; And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of waters. That is, the most barren heart shal abound with grace, according to that promise, Ioh. 7. 38. Out of their bellies shall flow rivers of the waters of life.

Isai. 41. 17, 18. When the poore and needy seeke water, and there is none, and their tongues faile for thirst, I the Lord will

will heare them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them: I will open rivers in high places: and fountaines in the midst of the valleyes: I will make the wilderness a poole of water, and the dry land springs of water: I will plant in the wilderness the Cedar, the Shittah-tree, and the Myrtle, and the Olive tree: I will set in the desert the Firre-tree, and the Pine, and the box-tree together. So now, though thou feelest thy heart barre know that God will be thy Gardiner to thy barren heart, to make pools, and plant pleasant grapes of graces; therefore seeing he taketh upon himselfe the worke, fear not the badnesse of the ground, for he will make it good as a fruitfull garden.

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The XXIII. LEGACY.

If thou wantest the Spirit.

If thou feelest thou wantest the Spirit of God, apply, Ezek. 36. 27. *I will put my spirit within you.*

Luk. 11. 13. *If yee then being evill know how to give good gifts unto your children : how much more shall your heavenly Father give the holy Spirit to them that aske him.*

Joel 2. 28, 29. *I will poure out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sonnes and your daughters shall prophesie, your old men shall dreame dreames, and your young men shall see visions. And also upon the servants, and upon the handmaids, in these dayes will I pour out my Spirit.*

Joh. 14. 16, 17, 18. *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever : even the Spirit of truth : he dwelleth in you, and shall be in you. I will*

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will not leave you comfortlesse, I will come to you.

When thou canst not pray thy self, stay thy self on these prayers, that Christ hath prayed to the Father to give the Spirit, and he was heard in all he prayed for, therefore thou maist claime it, though thy prayers be but weake.

THE XXIV. LEGACY.

If looking on Gods love, thou canst not love God againe.

WHen thou lookest upon the great love of GOD unto thee, and canst not find thine heart enlarged in loving God again, apply this promise, Deu. 30. 9. *I will circumcise thine heart, that thou maiest love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule.*

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The XXV. LEGACY.

*If thou canst not bring thine heart to
delight in the Lord.*

WHEN thou canst not bring
thine heart to delight in the
Lord, apply, Isai. 41. 16. Thou shalt re-
joyce in the Lord, and glory in the holy
one of Israel.

Psal. 89. 19. In thy name shall they re-
joyce all the day: and in thy righteous-
nesse shall they be exalted.

Job 22. 26. For then shalt thou have
thy delight in the Almighty.

Psal. 33. 21. For our heart shal rejoyce
in him, because we have trusted in his ho-
ly name.

When thou seest cause of rejoycing
in the Lord, and yet canst not move
thine affections, apply, They shall re-
joyce in him.

If through many troubles, & tem-
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ptations, thou findest thy joys often interrupted, apply; *they shall rejoyce continually in thy name.*

The XXVI. LEGACY.

If thou feelest not Gods fear in thine heart.

WHen wee feele not the feare of God in our hearts, apply, Jer. 33. 40. *I will put my feare in their hearts.*

If wee would have a reverent feare of God, when we performe any holy duty, or at other times; as thou feellest thy need, so urge the Lord with this his promise, for he delights to be sued to, upon his promise, by his servants, Ezek. 36. 37. *I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel to doe it for them.*

through many troubles & tribulations

The XXVII. LEGACY.

If thine heart will not praise the Lord.

WHen thou canst not bring
thine heart to praise the Lord,
apply, *Isa. 43. 21.* This people have I
formed for my self, they shall shew forth
my praise.
Joel 2. 26. Ye shall eat in plenty and be
satisfied, & praise the name of the Lord
your God.
Psal. 22. 26. They shall praise the Lord
that seeke him.

When thou seest what great things
God hath done for thee, and findest
not thy selfe able to set forth his
praise, apply, *They shall set forth my
praise.*

When thou findest thy ingratefull
heart not affected with the mercies
thou enjoyest, so as they stir thee not
up to praise the Lord, apply, *Hee shall*

eat

eat and be satisfied, and praise the name
of the Lord.

The XXVIII. LEGACY.

If thou wantest wisdom.

WHen thou seest the want of
wisdom makes thee not
walke like a Christian, so unblame-
ably as thou ought'st, apply Jam, 1. 5.
If any of you lack wisdom, let him aske
of God that giveth to all men liberally,
and upbraideth not, and it shall be given
him.

When thou findest thou wantest
wisdom to improve thine afflictions
to the best advantage, or for the or-
dering of thy actions, occasions and
course of life, to Gods glory and the
good of others, and thy selfe, then
faile not to aske wisdom, and doubt
not of the obtaining of it.

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The XXIX. LEGACY.

If thou canst not understand Gods
voice.

WHen thou canst not understand the voice of God in his word, or workes, not knowing what to learne by them, apply, Isa. 35. 5. *The eares of the deafe shall be unstopped.* That is, those that were deafe, not understanding any thing, shall be made to heare, that is, to understand.

John 10. 16. *Other sheepe I have, which are not of this fold, them also I must bring, and they shall heare my voyce.* Which is a promise to the Gentiles, that they shall understand the voice of God.

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The XXX. LEGACY.

*If thou canst not see into mysteries
of the Gospell.*

IF thou canst not see into the divine mysteries of the Gospell, apply, Isa. 35. 5. *The eyes of the blind shall be opened.* Isa. 42. 7. *He shall open the eyes of the blind.* Luke 4. 18. *He hath sent me to recover sight to the blind.*

These places are what Christ will doe to his people, therefore we need not feare our disease, seeing Christ is our Physitian. If every creature doe that, for which it was ordained, then he will surely do that which he was sent to do of the Father, to give sight to the blind.

The XXXI. LEGACY.

*If thou seest a good way, and hast no
power to walke in it.*

WHen thou seest a good way, and hast no power to walke in

in it, or art to perform any duty, ordinary or extraordinary, and feelest no strength to walk in that way, apply Ezek. 36.26. *And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walke in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments and doe them.*

When thou lookest at the greatness of the duty which God commands, look also at the largeness of his promises for the keeping of them, and then thou wilt not be discourag'd at it. What matters it what he commands, seeing we have his promise?

If thou fearest the strictnesse of thy ways, that thou shalt not be able to walk in them, though thou step into them sometimes, strengthen thy faith in this promise; *I wil give thee my Spirit to cause thee to walke in my wayes.*

Can Sin or Satan then resist? Nay, surely the spirit is stronger, and greater is he that is in us, than those that

are against us. And when wee see great duties which God command, and feare we shall want strength to doe them; apply, He hath said, *You shall keep my judgments and doe them.*

Isai. 40. 31. They shall runne, and not be weary, they shal walk, & not be faint. That is, Those which of themselves could not steppe one steppe, shall be able to runne swiftly in the ways of God.

The XXXII. LEGACY.

If thou wantest memory.

WHen thou wantest memory to remember the word of God, apply, *Joh. 41. 26. But the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

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The XXXIII. LEGACY.

When thou seeſt thine ignorance.

Vhen thou ſeeſt thine ignorance, and feareſt thou ſhalt not be able to glorifie God as thou mighteſt, if thou hadſt more knowledge, ſtir up thy ſelfe to deſire, and apply, Jer. 31. 33, 34. Thus ſaith the Lord, I will put my Law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts, and they ſhall all know mee, ſaith the Lord from the greateſt to the leaſt. Hoſ. 2. 20. Thou ſhalt know the Lord. PROV. 1. 23: I will powre out my Spirit unto you, I make knowne my words unto you.

Pſal. 25. 9, 12, 14. The meeke will he guide in judgment: And the meeke will he teach his way. What man is he that feareth the Lord? him ſhall he teach in the way that he ſhal chuſe: the ſecret of the Lord is with them that feare him.

and he will shew them his covenant.

Prov. 2:4,9,11,12,13. If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for treasures: then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgement, and equity, yea every good path. Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee, to deliver thee from the way of the evil man, from the man that speaketh froward things: who leave the paths of uprightness, to walke in the wayes of darknesse. Isai. 11.9. The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord. Prov. 8.17. Those that seeke me early shall find me. Isa. 35.8. The fool shall not erre.

Joh. 7.17. If any man will doe his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of my self. Isai. 32.3,4. The eyes of them shall see, shall not be dim, and the eares of them that beare shall hearken. The heart also of the rash shall understand knowledge.

When thou thinkest of the great
mystery

mystery of God manifest in the flesh, and of one divine essence, and three persons, and seekest thy owne inability to conceive of this great God, apply, *They shall all know the Lord. The heart of the foole shall understand.*

When we feare God will not reveal his will to us, apply, *I will pour out my mind to you. He will teach the humble his wayes. He will teach him the way he shall chuse.*

If thou fearest that though God reveal his will, yet thy ignorance is such as thou shalt not be able to understand it, apply, *I will cause you to understand; thou shalt understand judgment, righteousness, equity, and every good path.*

If thou fearest men will draw thee away to error, apply, *Counsell shall preserve thee, and understanding shall keep thee, and deliver thee from the evil way, and from the man that speaketh*

fromward things, and from them that leave the wayes of righteousness, to walk in the wayes of darknesse. The foole shall not erre. He shall know the doctrine whether it be of God.

The XXXIV. LEGACY.

If thou desirest grace and art not satisfied.

If thou desirest Grace, and thy desires are not satisfied, apply, Psalm 35. 7. Delight thy self also in the Lord, and he shall give thee the desires of thy heart.

Psalm 145. 19. He will fulfill the desires of them that feare him.

Psalm 81. 10. Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

Math. 5. 6. Blessed are they which doe hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Prov. 10. 24. The desire of the righteous shall be granted.

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Dost thou desire grace, fearest thou God will not grant thy desires? apply, He shall give thee thy hearts desire, he will fulfill thy desire.

Fearest thou, that if he give grace, it will be but a little? apply, Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it. Thou shalt be filled.

Isaia. 30. 18. Blessed are all they which wait for him. He will certainly have mercy upon thee at the voice of thy cry, when we heare he will answer.

When thou beginnest to faint with waiting, apply, He will certainly have mercy upon thee.

The XXXV. LEGACY.

If thine heart be dead.

When thou feelest thy heart dead, that it will not stir up God or goodnesse, apply, Psal. 22. 26. Your heart shall live for ever.

Prov. 3. 21, 22. Keep sound wisdom

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and discretion, so shall they be life unto thy soule. Isai. 57. 15. I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of contrite ones.

Amos 5. 4. Seek the Lord and ye shall live.

When thou fearest thou shalt never overcome the deadness of thy heart, apply, *Your hearts shall live. Seek the Lord and ye shall live.*

When thou hast got some life, and fearest the losing of it, apply, *Your hearts shall live for ever.*

THE XXXVI. LEGACY.

If thou fearest falling away.

When thou fearest thou shalt fall away, and beginnest to decline, apply, 1 Cor. 1. 8. *Christ shall also confirme you unto the end, that ye may be blamelesse in the day of our Lord*
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Jesus Chrtst. Psal. 16. 8. I have set
the Lord alwayes before me: because he
is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Psal. 145. 14. The Lord upholdeth all
that fall: and raiseth up all those that be
bowed downe. Psal. 91. 2. 14. The right-
teous shall flourish like the Palm tree. He
shall grow like a Cedar in Lebanon.

They shall still bring forth fruit in old
age: they shall be fat and flourishing.

Psal. 11. 13. And he shall be like a tree
planted by the rivers of water, that
bringeth forth his fruit in his season: his
leafe also shall not wither. Psal. 31. 24.

He shall stablish thine heart. Job 11. 15.
27. Thou shalt be stedfast, thine age shall
be clearer than the noone day, thou shalt
shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

Judg. 5. 31. They that love the Lord shall
be as the Sunne, when it goeth forth in
his might. Now we see that nothing
can hinder the Sun in his might, but
it chaseth away the darknesse and
clouds

clouds before it, and ceaseth not till
it hath run his race: so shall the child
of God, for the Lord hath said it, we
need not doubt of it. If thou fearest
thine owne weaknesse, & the power
of temptation, with the subtilty of
Satan, apply, That God whose pow-
er and wisdom over-reacheth all o-
ther, hath said, He will confirme you to
the end. He shall stablish thine heart, thy
lease shall not fade. Art thou hard pur-
sued by sinne and Satan? apply, that
God whose power and wisdom o-
ver-reacheth all, he hath said, He will
establish thee. If thou be ready to fall &
faint, apply, the Lord upholdeth all them
that fall, and lifterh up all them that are
ready to fall: thou shalt not slide. If
thou fearest that thou bee kept from
sinne, yet thy graces shall decay, ap-
ply, The righteous shall flourish as a
Palm tree, and shall grow as a Cedar in
Lebanon. They shall bring forth fruit in
their

their age; they shall be fat and flourishing; thou shalt bring forth fruit in season: thou shalt be stable, thine age shall appear more cleare than noone day. Thou shalt shine as the morning.

The XXXVII. LEGACY.

If thou art fallen,

WHen we are fallen, & fear the Lord will leave us so, then apply, Psal. 51. 22. Cast thy burthen upon the Lord, and he shall sustaine thee: he shall neuer suffer the righteous to be moved.

• Psal. 37. 24, 28. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast downe, for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand. For the Lord loveth judgement, & forsaketh not his Saints, they are preserved for ever.

Jer. 32. 40. I will put my feare in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.

When thou art fallen, and feelest a great load of sin or misery upon thee,

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& no power to unload thy selfe, thy graces so weake that they will not helpe thee, & therefore thou thinkest thy state desperate, apply, *Though he fall, he shal not be cast off, for the Lord putteth under his hand.* Therefore though sinne and misery be never so heavy to presse thee downe, yet that powerfull hand of God, when thou art at the lowest, being under thee, shal easily lift thee up, thou hast his promise, *He will not suffer thee to fall for ever.*

The XXXVIII. LEGACY.

When the Lord hath forsaken thee.

When the Lord hath forsaken thee in thine owne feeling, and thou fearest he will not returne againe, apply Isa. 54 7, 8, 9, 10. *For a small moment have I forsaken thee: but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment;*

a moment; but with everlasting kindnesse will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto me; for as I have sworne that the waters of Noah shall no more goe over the earth: so have I sworne that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the Mountains shall depart, and the Hills shall be removed; but my kindnesse shall not depart from thee; neither shall the covenant of my peace bee removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

Gen. 17. 7. I wil establish my covenant betwixt thee and mee, an everlasting covenant to be a God unto thee.

Deut 31. 8. I will be with thee, I will not faile thee, neither forsake thee, feare not, neither be dismayed.

1 King. 6. 13. I will not forsake my people.

2 Chron. 15. 2. The Lord is with you while you be with him.

Job

Job 8. 20. Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man.

Job 36. 5. Behold, God is mighty and despiseth not any.

Hos. 2. 19, 20. I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in loving kindness, and in mercy. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness.

THE XXXIX. LEGACY.

When thou feelest thy Vilenesse.

When thou feelest thy vilenes, and fearest the Lord will loath thee for it, apply, Levi. 26. 11. My soule shall not abhor you.

Hosea 14. 4. I will love them freely, for mine anger is turned away from them.

Deut. 7. 13. I will love thee.

John 14. 21, 23. Hee that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love

love him, and will manifest my selfe to him, my father will love him, and wee will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

Jer. 32. 41. I will reioyce over them to doe them good.

When thou seest a multitude of sins, so that thou seemest most loathsome, apply, *My soule shall not loath you.*

When thou seest nothing in thy selfe that should move him to love thee, but all to the contrary, apply, *I will love them freely.*

If thou fearest thy many sins will cause the Lord not to delight in thee, apply, *I will delight in thee.*

If thou fearest, thy sin will cause the Lord to hide himselfe from thee, apply, *I will shew my owne selfe unto him.*

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The XL. LEGACY.

*When thou feelest thy spirituall
Poverty.*

VWhen thou feelest thy spirituall poverty, apply, Mat. 5. 3. *Blessed are the poore in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdome of heaven.*

Isa. 66. 2. *To him wil I looke, saith the Lord, that is poore and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my words.*

When thou feelest thy sinnes many, & thy graces very little, & therefore fearest that such a miserable creature as thou art, shalt not inherit heaven, apply, *Blessed are the poore in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdome of heaven.*

If thou fearest the Lord will not looke upon thee, apply, *To him wil I looke, saith the Lord, that is of a contrite spirit.*

The

The. XLI. LEGACY.

When thou art in a strait.

VWhen thou art in a strait, and knowest not what to chuse, either in some truth, or in something that is to be done, that thou knowest not what to chuse, apply, Psal. 25. 22. *Him shall he teach in the way that he shall chuse. Vers. 13. His soule shall dwell at ease.*

Prov. 3. 8. In all thy wayes acknowledg him, and he shall direct thy pathes.

Prov. 16. 3. Commit thy workes unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.

Isai. 30. 21. And thine eare shall heare a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walke in it, when ye turne to the right hand, and when ye turne to the left.

Isai. 58. 11. The Lord shall guide thee continually.

Isai. 61. 8. I will direct their worke in truth.

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Jer. 31.9. I wil cause them to walke by the rivers of waters, in a streight way wherein they shall not stumble.

When thou doubt'st of some truth, apply, He shall teach him the way that he shall chuse, his soul shall dwell at ease. Thine ears shall heare a voice behind thee, saying, This is the way, walke in it. I will direct thy way in truth.

When thou art thinking what course to take, & fearest thou shalt not know what the Lord would have thee to doe, apply, Thy thoughts shall be directed, he shall direct thy wayes.

When thou fearest thy weaknesse will at sometimes carry thee astray, apply, The Lord will guide thee continually, The Lord will lead thee in a streight way, that thou shalt not stumble.

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The. XLII. LEGACY.

*If thou fearest Satan will cause thee
to fall.*

VHen thou fearest that Satan by his power and subtilty will cause thee to fall, and art troubled with his temptatiōs, apply, *Gen. 3.15. He shall bruiſe his head.* Therefore fear not, for Christ hath overthrowen all his power & subtilty, that he cannot doe us any harme. *Pſa. 19. 3,4. Surely he shall deliver thee from the ſnare of the fowler. He shall cover thee with his feathers; and under his wings shalt thou truſt: his truth shall be thy ſhield and Buckler.*

Rom. 6. 20. The God of peace shall bruiſe Satan under your feet ſhortly.

Doth Satan preſſe thee with ſtrong temptations, & fearest thou his power? apply, *He shall bruiſe his head. He will cover thee under his wings, and thou shalt be ſafe under his feathers, his strength*

strength shall be thy Buckler.

Fearst thou his subtilty? apply, He shall deliver thee from the snare of the Fowler, & bruiſe his head, wherein lyes all his power and plots.

The XLIII. LEGACY.

*If thou canst not profit well
by the word of God.*

WHen thou canst not profit by the word of God, or his workes of mercy, or afflictions, apply Isa. 48. 17. *I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldst goe.*

Mat 21. 41. *The kingdome of God shall be taken from you, and given to a Nation bringing forth fruits thereof.*

This is promise, that the Gentiles shall bring forth the fruits of the Gospel, therefore every beleeving Gentile may apply it.

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The XLIV. LEGACY.

If thou findest thy self unlike to Gods
people.

When thou findest thy self not
like the people of God either
in heart or life, apply Jer. 32. 39. *I will
give them one heart and one way.*

When thou seeest thine heart not like
the people of God either in their af-
fection to God, or his people, or Or-
dinances, or in their sorrowing for
sin, apply, *I will give them one heart.*

When thou seeest thy life and con-
versation not so holy as the people
of God, apply, *I wil give them one way.*

The XLV. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have Gods blessing rest
upon thee.

If thou wouldst have the blessing
of the Lord to rest upon thee,
apply, Psal. 5. 12. *The Lord will blesse
the righteous.*

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Deut. 7. 13. *I will blesse thee.*

Psal. 3. 8. *Thy blessing is upon thy people.*

Psal. 24. 5. *He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.*

Psal. 115. 12, 13. *The Lord will blesse us, he will blesse the house of Israel, he will blesse the house of Aaron. He will blesse them that feare the Lord, both small and great.*

The XLVI. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst be a blessing in thy place.

IF thou wouldst be a blessing in thy place, apply, Gen. 12. 2. *I will blesse thee, and thou shalt be a blessing.*

Ezek. 34. 26. *I will make them about my hill a blessing.*

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The XLVII. LEGACY.

*If thou separatest from the wicked in
their corrupt worship.*

WHen thou separatest thy selfe
from the wicked in their
corrupt worship & manners, apply,
2 Cor. 6. 16, 17, 18. *I will dwell in them
and walke in them, and I will be their
God, and they shall be my people: Where-
fore come out from among them, and be
ye separated, saith the Lord; and touch
not the unclean thing; and I will re-
ceive you; and will be a Father unto
you, and ye shall be my sonnes and daugh-
ters, saith the Lord Almighty.*

Thus farre of grace; the next pro-
mises are about the meanes of *Grace*,
either ordinary, or extraordinary.

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THE XLVIII. LEGACY.

A promise to be applied in every ordinance.

IN every Ordinance thou mai'st apply this promise, Isai. 12. 3. *With joy shall you draw water out of the wels of salvation.* Now in that it is said, out of the Wels of salvation, and not Well, I thinke we ought to apply it to every ordinance of God, so as we are to use them with a comfortable perswasion, that we shall receive abundance of grace from them. As the Lord promiseth we shall draw waters from out of them; we shall not only use them, but draw from them with joy. Therefore when we pray, meditate, heare, confer, fast in every duty, apply this promise, and you shall find him faithfull which promiseth.

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The XLIX. LEGACY.

When thou prayest.

WHen thou prayest, apply these promises for the strengthening of thy faith, & for thy hearing
Mat. 7. 7. *Aske and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you.*

Matth. 6. 6. *Pray to the Father which seeth in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.*

Matth. 21. 22. *And all things whatsoever ye shall aske in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.*

Joh. 14. 13, 14. *Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, I will doe it.*

Joh. 16. 24. *Aske and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.*

Joh. 15. 7. *Aske what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.*

Isay. 65. 24. *Before they call, I will an-*

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swer, and while they are yet speaking, I will heare.

Job 22.7. Thou shalt make thy prayers unto him, and he shall heare thee, and if thou seek him, he will be found.

The L. LEGACY.

When thou meditatest.

When thou meditatest, apply these promises, Prov. 14.22. Mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good.

Psal. 103. 17, 18, The loving kindnesse of the Lord endureth for ever, to them which think upon his commandments to doe them.

Philip. 4. 8, 9. Thinke on these things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seene in me, and the God of peace shall be with you.

If thou desirest mercy, or the truth of God to be for thy good, or the loving kindnesse of the Lord to be
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for ever towards thee, and that God which brings peace with him, to be with thee, then meditate on good things, and with such a meditation, as may stir thee up to practise, and then all these promises shal surely be performed to thee. And because meditation is an hard duty? therefore encourage thy self to it by the benefit it brings, and it being a way of God, hee will give thee his spirit to cause thee to walke in it.

THE LI. LEGACY.

In meditating, conferring, and reading Gods word.

IN meditating, conferring, and reading of the word of God, apply, Joshuah 1.8. *Let not this booke of the Law depart out of thy mouth, but meditate therein day and night, that thou maiest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt*

make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good successe.

The LII. LEGACY.

In reading of the word, if thou understandest not.

IN reading of the word, if we understand not, apply these promises
 Prov. 1. 23. I will powre out my Spirit unto you, I will make knowne my words unto you.

Prov. 1. 4. It gives subtilty to the simple: to the yong man knowledge and discretion.

Psal. 19. 8. The commandement of the Lord is pure, inlightning the eyes.

The LIII. LEGACY.

If thou canst not conferre.

WHen thou canst not speak in conference to edification, but feelest thine heart shut up, then apply, Joh. 7. 38. He that beleeueth on
 me,

me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

Prov. 10.31. The mouth of the just brings forth wisdom.

Prov. 12.14. A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth.

Isa. 32.14. The tongue of the stammerer, shall be ready to speak plainly.

Isa. 35.6. The dumb mans tongue shall sing.

When thou art with the people of God, that thou maiest receive good from them, & do them good, apply, Prov. 13.20. He that walketh with wise men shall be wise. So apply, Prov. 12.14. Joh. 7.38. Ezek. 47.12. His fruit shall be meat, and his leaves medicine.

If thou findest thy soule stand in need of wisdom, keep company with the people of God which are the only wise people, & then thou hast the only sure promises of the Lord, thou shalt be wise. If thou hungriest after

good, resort to the righteous, and thou shalt be satisfied with good things. If thou feele thy selfe dead, apply, *Out of him shall flow rivers of water of life*, for thy quickning. If thy soule be faint or sick, apply, *His fruit shall be meat, and his leaves medicine*. Let all this good which is gotten by their fellowship, cause thee to delight in them, & take heed of forsaking the fellowship of the Saints.

When thou goest into company, apply these promises to thy self, that thou maist be so to others, and hinder not thy selfe, by unbelieve.

THE LIV. LEGACY.

When thou art to goe to the Assemblies.

When thou art to goe to the Assemblies, to participate in the ordinances, apply, *In places where I record my name, I will come to thee and blesse thee*. If thou wahtell the Lord,

or his blessing, go to his house, and thou shalt find him, Psal. 36. 8, 9. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatnesse of thine house, and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountaine of life, and in thy light shall we see light, Psal. 65. 4. We shall be satisfied with the goodnesse of thy house, even of thine holy Temple, Psal. 83. 11. The Lord God is a sun and shield, the Lord will give grace and glory, and no good thing will he withhold, Psal. 92. 13, 14. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall stil bring forth fruit in their old age: they shall be fat and flourishing. Psal. 128. 5. The Lord shall blesse thee out of Sion. Isai. 25. 6, 7, 8. In this mountaine shall the Lord of Hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the Lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the Lees, well refined. Therefore

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when his ordinances are corrupted with mens inventions, then thou maiest presse him with this promise that he will give us wine fined and purified, even his purest ordinances, and most comfortable to our hearts, as wine is. And when there is little nourishment, because their gifts are weake, urge him with this, that hee hath promised to make us a feast of fat things full of marrow; for I take this promise to be meant of the Churches after Christ, verse 7. *And he will destroy in this mountaine the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all Nations.* Thy sins that are too strong for thee, bring them to the Lord in his Ordinances, and hee will destroy them, though thou seeme to bee covered with them, & they spread as a vaile upon thee, yet beleewe his promises, and all things shall be possible unto thee.

thee. Isai. 57.7. I will make them joyfull in mine house of prayer, their sacrifices shall be accepted at mine Altar. God wil both give to them, and accept from them their sacrifices, as pleasing to him. 2 Chion. 20. 20. Beleeve his Prophets, so shall ye prosper.

Prov. 1.5. A wise man will heare and will increase learning, and a man of understanding shall attaine unto wise counsels. Prov. 4.10, 12. Heare and receive my sayings, and the years of thy life shall be many; when thou goest, thy steps shall not be strait, and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble. Marke 4.24. Unto you that have shall be more given. Isa. 55. 3. 11, 12. Incline your eares and come unto me, heare and your soules shall live, and I will make an everlasting Covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. My words shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it.

it. Therefore ye shall go forth with joy, and be led forth with peace; the mountaines and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands, Verse. 3. Instead of the thorne shall come up the Firre tree, and instead of the bryer shall come up the Mirtle tree: this force shall the Word have in thine heart for planting of grace and destroying of sin.

Hos. 14. 7. They that dwell under his shadow shall return, they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine, the sent thereof shall be as the vine in Lebanon. If thou wouldest returne, apply this, he shall returne. If thou beest decayed, apply this; They shall revive as the corne. If thou wouldest flourish in grace, apply, They shall flourish as the Vine. If thou wouldest be a sweet smelling savour in all places, apply, The sent thereof shall be as the Vine of Lebanon.

Lebanon. Seeing all these good things come from the powerfull ordinances of the Lord, let us give him no rest, till he bestow these blessings upon us; when the pastor of the people pronounceth the blessings, apply this promise, Num. 6. 27. *I will blesse thee.*

The LV. LEGACY.
Wouldest thou enjoy the ordinances of God, and a blessing upon them?

Wouldest thou enjoy the Ordinances of God, and a blessing upon them? apply, Jer. 31. 14. *I will satiate the soules of the Priests with fatnesse, and my people shall be satisfied with goodnesse.*

Jer. 3. 15. *I will give you Pastours according to my heart, which shall feed you with knowledg and understanding.*

Ezek. 34. 26, 27. *And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing, and I will cause the shewre to come*

come downe in his season: there shall be showers of blessing. And the tree of the field shall yeeld her increase, and the earth shall yeeld her fruit.

The Promises are both for Pastor & People; the Pastor shall be able to teach with knowled ge & understanding, his soul shall be replenished with fatnesse, his teaching shall be as seasonable showres of blessing, that shall make the people fruitfull. The People must apply these Promises: first that God would give them able Teachers, & that they may find their Ministry blessed unto them according to these Promises. That they may be fed with knowledge & understanding, that they may be satisfied with goodnesse, and that their teaching may be seasonable showres of blessing to make them fruitfull, as it is promised, that the trees shall yeeld their fraite. How much are
Gods

Gods ordinances to be desired, by which he doth convey so many blessings unto his People? Let us give him no rest, till he furnish *Jerusalem* with all her ordinances and officers.

The LVI. LEGACY.

If thou enjoyest Grace, or meanes of Grace.

IF thou enjoyest glorious graces, or meanes of grace, & fearest the losing of them, apply, *Isai .4.5,6.* Upon all the glory shall be a defence. And there shall be a Tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storme, and from raine.

Isai.27.3. I the Lord doe keepe it, I will water it every moment: lest any hurt it, I wil keepe it night and day.

Isa.33.16. His place of defence shall be the munition of Rockes, bread shall be given him, his waters shall be sure.

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Hast thou any glorious grace, or meanes of grace? Arme thy selfe with the power of God in his promises, for the devill will use all his forces and subtilty, to deprive thee of them. Hast thou a glorious Minister, & pure ordinances, or glorious graces begin to spring in thine heart, and seest no meanes to defend them? apply, *Upon all thy glory he shall be a defence. His defence shall be ammunition of rockes.* Seest thou an heart of sinne in thy selfe, or the rage of the wicked, that causeth thee to feare the losse of them, apply *There shall be a covering for a shadow in the day for the heat.* Doth the devill raise up stormes? inwardly persecutions, apply, *The defence and covering shall be a place of refuge, and covert for the storme and for the raine.* Fearest thou the subtilty of thine enemies, that unawares when thou thinkest not on them, they will surprise thee, and

& steale thy blessing from thee? apply, *I the Lord will keepe it night and day.* If thou fearest God will not continue thus to thee, apply, *I will water it every moment; not one moment, but he will be adding and nourishing: Bread shall be given him, and his waters shall be sure.*

THE LVII. LEGACY.

When thou art banished from Gods Ordinances.

When thou art banished from Gods Ordinances, apply these promises for thy returne, *Isai. 35. 10. he ransomed of the Lord shall returne and come to Sion with songs, and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtaine joy and gladnesse, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. Ier. 3. 14. and I will bring you to Sion. Deut. 30. 4. If any of thine be driven out to the utmost parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord*

Lord thy God gather thee, & from thence
will he fetch thee, Ezek. 34. 11, 12, 13,
14, 15, 16. Behold I, even I wil both search
my sheepe and find them out. As a Shep-
heard seeketh out his flock in the day that
he is among his Sheepe, that are scattered:
so wil I seeke out my sheepe, & will deliver
them out of all places, where they have
bin scattered in the cloudy and dark day.
And I wil bring them out from the people,
& gather them from the countries, & wil
bring them to their owne land, & feed
them upon the mountaines of Israel, by
the rivers, and in all the inhabited places
of the cuntry: I will feede them in
good pasture, & upon the high mountaines
of Israel shall their fold be: there shall
they lye in a good fold, & in a fat pasture
shall they feed, upon the mountaines of
Israel I will feede my flock, and I wil
cause them to lye downe, saith the Lord
God. I will see that which was lost, and
bring again that which was driven away,

and

and will bind up that which was broken,
and will strengthen that which was sick.

If thou mouraest for Gods ordinances, apply, Thou shalt not onely returne to Sion, but returne with ioy, and sorrow shall fly away. If thou beest but one amongst many which desirest it, and fearest thou shalt be left among them, apply, I will take you, one of a city, and two of a tribe: though thou beest but one of a citie that returneth to the Lord, he will bring thee to Sion from all the rest. If thou art far removed from all meanes, and that the Lord hath done it for thy sin, apply, Though thou wert cast into the utmost part of heaven, thence will the Lord gather thee, & from thence wil he take thee, he wil deliver thee from all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day, and will feed them in good pastures, and will bring them to rest.

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The LVIII. LEGACY.

Whilst thou art banished from Gods house.

WHilst thou art banished from Gods house, apply Ezek. 11. 16. *I will be unto them as a little Sanctuary in the countries where they shal come.* Isai. 40. 11. *He shall feed his flocke like a shepheard, he shal gather the Lambs with his arme, and carry them in his bosome, and shall gently lead those that are with young.*

In thy banishment, at those hours when thy soul was wont to be refreshed in the Sanctuary of God on the Sabbath, & at other times, when thou findest thy selfe to stand in need either of defence, or nourishment, apply, *I wil be a Sanctuary unto you.* He shall feed his Flock as a shepheard. If in this time thou feelest thy self very weak apply, *He shall gather his Lambs in his arme.*

armes, and carry them in his bosome, and guide them with young: they cannot miscarry that are shut up in the bosome of God, nor feare, who are guided by him. Therefore though we be never so weake in our selves, yet here is our comfort, we are safe in our God: O happy people saved by the Lord!

The LIX. LEGACY.

When wicked shepherds are over us.

WHen wicked shepherds are over us, then apply, Eze. 34. 10. Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I am against the shepherds, & I wil require my flock at their hands, & cause them to cease from feeding the flock: neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more: for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meate for them. ver. 22. Because ye have thrust with side & with shoulder, & pushed al the diseased with your hornes, till ye have scattered them abroad

broade: Therefore will I save my flock, & they shall no more be a prey, & I will cause the wild beasts to cease out of the land. When the shepherds feed themselves, and are ready to devour us, apply, The shepherds shall not feed themselves any more. I will deliver my sheep from their mouthes, they shall no more devour them. When through their greatnesse & our weaknesse they push us so with their hornes, that we are scattered, both shepherd from people, and one from another, apply, I wil help my sheep, & they shal no more be spoyled, I wil cause the wild beasts to cease out of the Land.

The LX. LEGACY.

When through wicked shepherds thou art come to great misery.

When through evill shepherds we are come to great misery apply Eze. 34. 16. I wil seeke that which was lost, and bring againe that which was driven

driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, & wil strengthen that which was sick. *Isai. 30. 20.* Though the Lord give you the bread of adversity, & the water of affliction, yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers. When through evill shepherds thou art come to such an estate, as thou feel'st thy self to have lost God & goodnes, and art driven away from all things that might help thee, apply, *I will seek that which was lost, I wil bring again that which was driven away.* When thou art even broken with misery & growne very weake, apply, *I will bind up that which was broken, & strengthen that which was weak.* When thy Teachers which should help thee in this estate are forced to flye & hide themselves for feare of wicked shepherds, apply; *Thy teachers shall not be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy Teachers.* Thus

Thus farre of the ordinances of God which are ordinary; Now for the duty of fasting, which is extraordinary.

The LXI. LEGACY.

When thou settest thy selfe to fast.

WHen thou settest thy selfe to fast, apply, Math. 6. 18. If thou fast in secret, thy father which seeth in secret will reward thee openly.

Jam. 4. 8, 10. Draw nigh unto God, and he will draw nigh unto you. Humble your selves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

Thus farre of the meanes of Grace.

The next promises are when we suffer persecution for well-doing, for all that will live godly must suffer persecution: therefore strengthen thy selfe with these promises.

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The LXII. LEGACY.

If thou art railed upon for well-doing.

IF thou art railed upon for well-doing, apply, 1 Pet. 4.14. *If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye, for the spirit of God, and of glory resteth upon you.*

Mat. 5.11.12. *Blessed are ye, when men revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evill against you falsely for my sake. Rejoyce and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.*

The LXIII. LEGACY.

If thou art persecuted.

WHen they persecute thee any other ways, even unto death, apply, Mat. 10.39. *He that loseth his life*
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for my sake, shall find it. Matth. 5. 10. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake: for theirs is the Kingdome of heaven. When yee lose any earthly blessing for Gods cause, apply, Matth. 19. 24. Every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands for my names sake, shall receive an hundred fold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

This is the greatest (& yet lawful) usury of all others, to part with one outward blessing, and to receive an hundred for it; to lose a miserable life, & to enjoy eternal life; to suffer a short time, & to have a great reward in heaven; to be disgraced, & to have the spirit of glory rest upon us. Therefore when thou art railed upon, apply, Blessed am I, the spirit of glory rests upon me, therefore they cannot make me vile. Art thou any way

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persecuted? apply, *Theirs is the Kingdome of heaven; Great is your reward in heaven. Take they thy life? apply. He that loseth his life for my sake shal find it.* Take they away any earthly blessing? thou shalt receive an hundred fold at this present; therefore if Usurers gladly let out their mony, that hope to receive but eight in the hundred, be ashamed of thy selfe, that thou shouldest not give one for an hundred, when thou hast the promise of him that never failed to perform.

The LXIV. LEGACY.

In partaking with Gods people in suffering.

IN partaking with Gods people in suffering, that thou maiest be partaker of their comforts, apply, *1 Cor. I. 6. As you are partakers of the sufferings: so shall ye be also of the consolation.*

The LXV. LEGACY.

When thou art called to defend the truth

WHen thou art called forth to defend the truth, apply, Matth. 10. 19. *When they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speake, for it shall be given you in that same houre what ye shall speake.*

Luke 21. 15. *I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries shall not be able to gaine-say or resist.* Matth. 10. 32. *Whosoever confesseth me before men, him will I confesse before my Father which is in heaven.* When thou fearest thou shalt not be able to speak in the defence of the truth, apply, *It shall be given thee, though thou hast it not before, in that houre what thou shalt say.* If thou fearest the learning of thine adversaries, and thine owne simpleness, apply, *I will give thee not only a*
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mouth, but also wisdom, where-against they shall not be able to speake. If thou want courage, embolden thy selfe with this, Christ will confesse thee before his father.

The LXVI. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst bring forth seasonable fruit for every estate.

IF thou wouldst bring forth seasonable fruit for every estate, & for every duty, apply, Psal. 1. 3. *Thou shalt be as a tree which bringeth forth his fruit in season, Ezek. 47. 12. He shall bring forth fruit according to his months.* If thou art to speake or pray, or doe any duty that thou maist do it seasonably, and have fitting words and thoughts, apply, *Thou shalt bring forth fruit in season.* So in every estate, prosperity, or adversity, that thou

maiest bring forth the fruits of it, apply, They shal bring forth fruit in season according to their months.

Thus far about spirituall things. The next promises are about earthly things; and because children are the most excellent, therefore I wil begin with them.

The LXVII. LEGACY.

If thou hast children.

If thou hast children, apply, Psal. 112. 2. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the just shall be blessed.

Deu. 7. 13. He will bless the fruit of thy womb. Gen. 17. 7. I will establish my covenant between me and thee, and thy seed after thee, in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, & to thy seed after thee. Psal. 44. 3. 4.

I will poure out my Spirit upon thy seed,
and my blessing upon thine off-springs; &
they shall spring up as among the grasse, as
willowes by the water-courses. If thou
desirest grace and Gods blessing for
thy children, apply, I will poure my
spirit & blessing upon thy seed. If thou
wouldst have them grow up in it, ap-
ply, They shall grow as among the grasse,
& as the willowes by the water-courses.
If thou wouldst have them in cove-
nant with thy selfe, thy God to bee
theirs, apply, I will make an everlasting
covenant with thee, to be God to thee, &
to thy seed after thee. Desirest thou
outward things for them? apply, His
seed shall be mighty upon the earth.

The LXVIII. LEGACY.

If thou wantest children.

IF thou wantest children, apply,
Deut. 7. 14. Thou shalt be blessed above

all people, there shall neither be male nor female barren among you. Deut. 28.11. The Lord shall make thee plentiful in the fruit of thy body. Psal. 128.3. Thy wife shall be as a fruitfull Vine by the side of thine house, thy children like Olive plants round about thy table, ver. 4.6. Loe, thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord. Thou shalt see thy childrens children.

If thou hast conceived, apply this promise for keeping of it, Exod. 23. 26. There shall none cast their young, nor be barren in thy land. This & all other promises of earthly things, are to be applyed so far as is good for us : wee are not to doubt of them.

THE LXIX. LEGACY.
If the Lord deny thee children.

IF the Lord deny thee children, apply, Isai. 56.5. *To them will I give mine*

mine house, and within my walls a place,
and a name better then of Sonnes and of
Daughters, I will give them an ever-
lasting name that shall not be cut off.

The LXX. LEGACY.

If thou wouldest have a comfortable and
holy use of thy habitation.

IF thou wouldst have the comforta-
ble & holy use of thine habitation,
apply, Job 5.24. Thou shalt know that
thy Tab-ernacle shall be in peace, and thou
shalt visit thine habitation, and not sin.

Psal. 91.10. There shall no evil befall
thee, neither shall any plague come nigh
thy dwelling. Pro. 14.11. the Tabernacle
of the upright shall flourish. Prov. 12.7.
The house of the righteous shall stand.

If thou wouldst prosper in thine

house, apply, Peace shall be in it. No plague shall come neer it; it shall flourish. If thou wouldst have it continue so, apply, It shall stand. That they may not be a snare to thee, but that thou maist use thy blessing, and not sin, apply, Thou shalt visit thy habitation, and not sinne.

The LXXI LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have thy going out,
and coming in blessed.

IF thou wouldst have thy coming in and going out blessed, apply, Deut. 28. 6. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out, Psal. 121. 8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, from this time forth, and even for evermore.

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When thou goest out, if thou wouldst have heavens & earth, & all creatures blessed to thee, & be made able to make the spiritual use of the, apply, *Blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out, and when thou comest in. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in. If thou wouldst have the continuance of it, apply, from this time forth for evermore.*

The LXXII. LEGACY.

When thou eatest, or enjoyest any blessing, that it may satisfie and be sanctified.

VWhen thou eatest or inioyest any blessing, that it may satisfie thee, & thou maist have the sanctified use of it, apply, Joel 2. 26. *Ye shall eat in Plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord our God.*

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That thy meat & outward blessings
may give thee cōtent & satisfie thee,
apply, *Thou shalt eate & be satisfied.*

That thou mayest have the sancti-
fied use of it, apply, *Thou shalt praise the
Lord.*

The LXXIII. LEGACY.

*When thou takest thy rest at
night, &c.*

VVhen thou takest thy rest at
night, apply, *Pro. 3. 24. When
thou lyeest downe thou shalt not be afraid:
yea, thou shalt lye downe, and thy sleep
shall be sweete.*

*Job 11. 19. Also thou shalt lye down,
and none shall make thee afraid.*

If thou be troubled with feares of
the night, apply, *Thou shalt not be afraid.*

When thou takest thy rest, apply,
None shall make thee afraid.

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If thou art troubled with any thing that breakes thy rest, apply, *Thy rest shall be sweete.*

The LXXIV. LEGACY.

When thou puttest thy hand to any worke.

V **V**Hen thou puttest thy hand to any worke, that it may be blessed, apply, Deut. 28. 12. *The Lord shall bleſſe all the works of thine hand.* Deut. 30. 9. *The Lord thy God will make thee plenteous in every worke of thine hand.* The Lord will not onely bleſſe ſome of thy workes, but every one; therefore in every worke ſend up ſhort praiers for the claiming of the, and ſo at our going out, & coming in, or ſleeping, renew theſe promiſes upon thy ſelfe, by faith applying them, and by prayer ſuing for them.

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The LXXV. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have thine outward blessings blessed.

IF thou wouldst have thy outward blessings blessed of God, apply, Deut. 28. 4, 5. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, & the fruit of thy ground, & the fruit of thy cattel, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheepe. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. Deut. 7. 13 14. The Lord will also blesse the fruit of thy wombe, and the fruit of thy land, thy corne, and thy wine, and thy oyle, the increase of thy kine, & the flocks of thy sheepe. There shall bee neither male nor female barren among you, or among your cattell. That thy goods and thine house may be blessed, apply, Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. If thou beeest in debt, apply, Deu. 28. 12. Thou shalt lend unto many, and shall not borrow.

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The LXXVI. LEGACY.

If thou desirest to enjoy the labours of
thine hands.

IF thou desirest to enjoy the la-
bours of thine hands, apply, Isa. 65.
21, 22, 23. They shall build houses & in-
habit them, they shall plant vineyards and
eat the fruit of them. They shall not build
& another inhabit; they shall not plant
and another eat: for as the daies of a tree
are the daies of my people, and mine elect
shall long enjoy the works of their hands.
They shall not labour in vaine, nor bring
forth for trouble. Psal. 128. 2. Thou shalt
eat the labour of thine hands.

The LXXVII. LEGACY.

If thou art diligent in thy
calling.

WHen thou art diligent in thy
calling, apply, Prov. 12. 14,
24. The

The recompence of a mans hands shall be rendered unto him. The hand of the diligent shall beare rule. When thou enioiest that thou hast laboured for, apply, Psal. 128. 2. Thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.

The LXXVIII. LEGACY.

When thou seest wicked men following unsatisfying things with restlesse desires, and thou desirest content.

VWhen thou seest the wicked to be carried with restlesse desires, hungriſg and thirſting after thoſe things which ſatiſfie the not, and thou deſireſt content, apply, Iſa. 65. 13, 14. Thus ſaith the Lord, behold, my ſervants ſhall eat, but ye ſhall be hungry: behold my ſervants ſhall drink, but ye ſhall be thirſty: behold, my ſervants rejoyce, but ye ſhall be aſhamed: behold, my ſervants ſhall ſing for joy of heart, but ye ſhall

shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall bowle for vexation of spirit.

The XXIX. LEGACY.

If thou fearest thou shalt lose by following the Lord.

IF thou fearest thou shalt lose by following the Lord, apply, Psal. 37. 9, 11, 18, 1, 9. Those that wait upon the Lord shall inherit the earth, their inheritance shall be for ever: they shall not be ashamed in the evill time; They shall inherit the earth, and delight themselves in the abundance of peace. Psal. 112. 3. Wealth and riches shall be in his house. Job 22. 23, 24. Thou shalt be built up, thou shalt lay up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brookes, vers. 25. Tea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver.

Gen. 15. 1. I am thy exceeding great reward. Fearest thou the losse of thy land

land apply, *Thou shalt inherit the earth, their inheritance shall be for ever. Thou shalt possess the earth.* Doe others trouble thee? apply, *They shall have their delight in the multitude of peace.* Art thou poore, or fearest the losse of thy goods? apply, *Riches and treasure shall be in his house.* Art thou oppressed by the wicked? apply, *The Almighty shall be thy defence.*

The LXXX. LEGACY.

When thou hast lost blessings by sinne.

VWhen thou hast lost blessings by sinne, apply these promises for their recovery, Joel 2. 24, 25, 26. *The floores shall be full of wheat, and the fatts shall overflow with wine and oyle, and I will restore to you the yeares that the Locust hath eaten, the canker-worme, the caterpillar; and the palmer-worme: and ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied and Praise the Lord. Deut. 30. 5.*
I will

I will multiply you above your fathers.

The LXXXI. LEGACY.

If thou fearest losse of thy good name.

IF thou fearest the losse of thy good name, apply, Job 5. 21. *Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue.* Job 11. 15. *Thou shalt lift up thy face without spot.* Psal. 37. 6. *He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgement as the noone day.* Prov. 10. 7. *The memory of the just is blessed.*

Fearest thou the wicked will take away thy good name? apply, *Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue.* Cast they blots upon thee? apply, *Thou shalt lift up thy face without spot.* Seek they to darken the light of thy holy life? apply, *He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgement as the noone day.*

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The LXXXII. LEGACY.
If the world despise thee, &c.

IF the World despise thee, comfort thy self with these promises, Exod. 19.5. *Ye shall be Gods peculiar treasure above all people,* 1 Sam. 3.30. *Those that honour me will I honour,* saith the Lord: Ps. 91.14. *I will set him on high, because he hath knowne my name.* Psal. 112. 9. *His Horne shall be exalted with honour.* John 12.26. *If any man serve me, him will my Father honour.* Prov. 4. 7,8,9. *Get wisdom, exalt her, and shee shall promote thee; shee shall bring thee to honour when thou dost embrace her; shee shall give to thine head an ornament of grace, a crowne of glory shall shee deliver to thee.*

When the world counts thee as the off-scouring of the world, vile, nought, worth: apply, *He shall be Gods chiefe*

chiefe treasures above all people. Doth
the world debase thee? apply, The
Lord will exalt thee, The Father will ho-
nour him.

The LXXXIII. LEGACY.

When thou art in want for soule or body.

WHen thou art in any want for
soule or body, apply, Psal.
34. 9, 10. There is no want to them that
feare him. The young Lions doe lacke
and suffer hunger, but they that seeke the
Lord shall not want any good thing. Psa.
84. 11. No good thing will he withhold
from them that walke uprightly, Mar. 6.
33. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and
his righteousnesse, and all things shall be
added unto you. Art thou troubled
with distracting cares for outward
things; apply Seeke the Kingdom of
Heaven and his righteousnesse, and all
other

other things shal be cast upon you. Feare not thou that thou shalt be overpressed with want apply, Those that seek the Lord shall want no good thing. No good thing will he with-hold from them that walke uprightly.

The LXXXIV. LEGACY.

In liberall giving.

IN liberall giving apply these promises, Prov. 11. 25. The liberall soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth, shall be watered also himself.

Prov. 19. 17. He that hath pittie on the poore, lendeth to the Lord: and that which he hath given will he pay him againe.

Matth. 6. 4. Give in secret, and thy Father himself shall reward thee openly. 2 Cor. 9. 6, 10, 11. He which soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully. He that ministreth seed to the sower, doth minister bread for your food, & multiply your seed

seed sowne, and increase the fruits of your righteousness, being enriched in every thing to all bountiffulnesse.

Isai. 58. 10, 11. If thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfie the afflicted soul: then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkeness be as the noone day.

And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfie thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones, and thou shalt be like a watered garden, & like a spring of waters, whose waters faile not.

When thou givest to the people of God, and intreatest them kindly, apply, Matth. 10. 41, 42. He that receiveth a Prophet in the name of a Prophet, shall receive a Prophets reward: and he that receiveth a righteous man, in the name of a righteous man, shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whosoever shall give to drinke unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water onely in the name

name of a Disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

The LXXXV. LEGACY.

If sicknesse be among us.

If sicknesse be among us, apply, *Exod. 23. 52. I wil take sicknesse away from the midst of thee.*

Psal. 43. 3. The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing; thou wilt make all his bed in his sicknesse.

Deut. 7. 15. And the Lord will take away from thee all sicknesse, and will put none of the evill diseases of Egypt upon thee.

If the plague be among us, apply, Ps. 91. 3. 6, 7. Surely he shall deliver thee from the noyjom pestilence. Thou shalt not be afraid of the pestilence that walketh in darkenesse, nor for the destruction that wasteth at noon day. A thousand shal fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shal not come nigh thee.

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Art thou sick? apply, *The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of sorrow: thou wilt make all his bed in sickness.*

Art thou there where the sick are? apply, *I will take away all sickness from the midst of thee.*

Fearest thou the pestilence? apply, *I will deliver thee from the noysome pestilence.*

The XXXVI. LEGACY.

If thou fearest death.

IF thou fearest death, apply, *Isai: 57. 12. He shall enter into peace, they shall rest in their beds. None feares to goe to bed, when they know they shall rest being weary: this resting is more sure and lasting for ever, Rom. 8. 11. He that raiseth up Christ from the dead, shall quicken our mortall bodies. Therefore we must thinke of it but as a better life given by the Spirit of God.*

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The LXXXVII. LEGACY.

If thou fearest untimely death.

IF thou fearest untimely death, apply, Job 5. 26. *Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in, in his season.* Exo. 23. 26. *The number of thy dayes will I fulfill* Psal. 19. 16. *With long life will I satisfie him, and shew him my salvation.* Psa. 41. 2. *The Lord will preserve him and keepe him alive, and he shall be blessed upon the earth.*

Haſt thou many enemies, and fearest the losse of thy life by them? apply, *The number of thy dayes will I fulfill: the Lord will preserve him & keep him alive, therefore man cannot shorten it one day.*

Fearest thou that thou shalt either live too long, or dye too soon? apply *Thou shalt goe to thy grave in a full age*

as a rick of corn commeth in due season
into the barne.

The LXXXVIII. LEGACY.

If thou fearest hurt by any of the
creatures.

IF thou fearest hurt by any of the
creatures, apply, Gen. 9. 2. The feare
of you and the dread of you shall be upon
every beast of the earth, and upon every
fowle of the ayre, upon all the fishes of the
Sea, into your hand are they delivered,
Job 5. 23. Thou shalt be in league with
the stones of the field: and the beasts of
the field shall be at peace with thee.

The LXXXIX. LEGACY.

When thou hast a troubled heart.

VWhen thine heart is troubled
either for soul or body, ap-
ply, Phil. 4. 7. The God of peace which
passeth all understanding shall keep your
hearts.

hearts and minds. Psal. 29. 11. The Lord will blesse his people with peace.

— Is thine heart troubled with many temptations of Satan, or with feares of sin and misery? apply, *The peace of God shal preserve your hearts.* Hast thou many troubles outwardly? apply, *The Lord shall blesse his people with peace.*

THE XC. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have thy purpose to prosper.

If thou wouldst have thy purposes to prosper, apply, *Job 22. 28. Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy waies.*

Psal. 1. 3. Whatsoever hee doth shall prosper. Psal. 37. 5. Commit thy way unto the Lord: trust also in him, and he shall bring it to passe.

When thou often purposest to doe good both for thy soul and body,
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and yet findest thy purposes broken, apply, *Thou shalt decree a thing, and the Lord shall stablish it unto thee. He shall bring it to passe.* When thou art in doing any thing, apply, *Whatsoever he doth it shall prosper.*

The XCI. LEGACY.

When thou art called to a great worke.

When thou art called to a great worke, wherein thou shalt have great opposition, apply, *Deu. 31. 8. The Lord, he it is that doth go before thee, he will be with thee, he will not faile thee, neither forsake thee: feare not, neither be dismayed. 2. Chro. 16. 9. The Lord will shew himselfe strong in the behalfe of them whose heart is perfect towards him. Psal 91. 11, 12, 13. He shall give his Angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy waies: They shall beare thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot*

against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the Lion and the Adder: the young Lion and Dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

It matters not what be the lets oppose us, when the Lord goes before us, he will easily beat them downe: nor what strength resists such, as he hath promised to shew his strength for; nor how many bee our dangers, when his Angels have charge over us to keepe us. Therefore goe on in the worke, and feare not the issue, being strengthened by the promises of him, that never faileth his.

The XCH. LEGACY.

In times of danger.

IN the time of danger, apply, 1 Sam. 2. 9. *The Lord will keepe the feet of his Saints.* Prov. 1. 33. *Who so hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, & shall be quiet from feare of evil.* Job 11. 18, 19. *Thou shalt*

shalt be secure, because there is hope, yea thou shalt digge about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety, also thou shalt lye downe, and none shall make thee afraid. Psal. 125. 1, 2. They which trust in the Lord, shall be as mount Sion which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. As the mountaines are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from hence-forth, even for ever.

Psal. 121. 3, 4, 5. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that kepeth thee will not slumber: Behold, he that keepeth Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper, the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. Seeing the Lord is our keeper, we need not feare the danger.

The XCIII. LEGACY.

When thou art in great trouble, &c.

WHen thou art in great trouble apply, Isai. 43. 2. *When thou*
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pasſeſt through the waters, I will be with thee, and through the Rivers, they ſhall not overflow thee: when thou walkeſt through the fire, thou ſhalt not be burnt, neither ſhall the flame kindle upon thee. verſ. 20. I will give waters in the wilderneſſe, and Rivers in the deſart, to give drinke to my people, my choſen. Pſal. 32. 6, 7. Surely in the floods of great waters they ſhall not come nigh unto him. Thou art my hiding place, thou ſhalt preſerve me from trouble; thou ſhalt compaſſe me about with ſongs of deliverance.

When thou ſeeſt thy ſelfe compaſſed with many troubles, & beginneſt to feare, apply, I will be with thee, they ſhall not overflow thee. In the fire of affliction, thou ſhalt not onely not be burnt, but the flame ſhall not kindle upon thee, the greateſt trouble ſhall doe thee the leaſt harm, for God being with thee, wil bring thee out as
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he did *Israel* through the Sea; & the three children out of the fire; with not so much as the savour of fire about them: so shal not so much as the savour of evill be upon his; but he will compasse them about with songs of deliverance.

The XCIV. LEGACY. *W*hen thou seemest to be forgotten in affliction.

When thou seemest to be forgotten in affliction; apply, *Psal. 9. 18.* The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. For the needy shall not alway be forgotten; the expectation of the poore shall not perish for ever.

Hai. 48. 50. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the Sonne of her womb: yea they may forget, yet will not I forget thee. *Psal. 103. 9.* He will not alwaies

chide, neither will he keepe his anger for ever. Lam. 3. 31, 32. The Lord will not cast off for ever. But though he cause griefe, yet will he have compassion, according to the multitude of his mercies.

The XCV. LEGACY.

When thou fearest to die in misery.

WHen thou fearest thou shalt end thy dayes in misery, apply, Job 36. ii. They shall spend their dayes in prosperity, and their yeares in pleasures.

The XCVI. LEGACY.

When thy sorrowes grow great.

WHen thy sorrowes grow great apply, Job. 11. 16. Thou shalt forget thy misery, & remember it as waters that passe away. Job 8. 20, 21. Behold God will not cast away a perfect man till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with rejoycing, Psal. 27. 14

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Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thy heart. Psal. 112. 4. Vnto the upright there ariseth light in darknesse. Psal. 126. 5, 6. They that sow in teares shall reap in joy; He that goeth forth & weepeth, bearing precious seed shall doubtlesse come againe with rejoycing, bringing his sheaves with him.

Prov. 10. 28. The hope of the righteous shall be gladnesse.

Matth. 5. 4. Blessed are they that mourne, for they shall be comforted.

John 16. 62. Tee now have sorrow: but I will see you againe, and your hearts shall rejoyce, and your joy no man taketh from you.

Hath sorrow taken deep root in thy soul, that thou fearest thou shalt never find hearty joy? apply, He shall comfort thine heart. Is such a crosse upon thee, that thou fearest thou shalt never forget it? apply, Thou shalt forget thy misery, as waters that passe away.

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The XCVII. LEGACY.

When thou knowest no way out of misery for soul or body.

WHen thou art in such an estate, as thou knowest no way out of misery, either for soul or body, or both, apply, Jer. 33. 3. *Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not.*

The XCVIII. LEGACY.

If thou wouldst have deliverance out of trouble.

IF thou wouldst have deliverance out of trouble, apply, Psal. 149. 4. *He will beautifie the meeke with salvation: or, He will make the meeke glorious by deliverance.*

Psal. 34. 17, 19. *The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles. Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord*

Lord delivereth him out of them all. Job. 5. 17, 18, 19. Happy is the man whom God correcteth, for he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole. He shall deliver thee in six troubles, in seven there shall no evill touch thee. Psal. 50. 15. Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorifie me.

When thou art in many troubles, and fearest thou shalt never get out of all, apply, *The Lord will deliver thee out of all.* If the Lord hath delivered thee once or twice, and thou fearest he will not continue so still, as often as thou fallest into troubles, apply, *He shall deliver thee in six troubles, and the seventh it shall not touch thee.*

The

The XCIX. LEGACY.

If thine enemies prevaile.

WHen thy enemies prevaile,
 apply, Psal. 125. 3. *The rod of
 the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of
 the righteous: lest the righteous put
 forth their hands unto iniquity: Psa. 18.
 3. I will call upon the Lord: so shall I be
 saved from mine enemies. 1 Sam. 2. 10.
 The adversaries of the Lord shall be bro-
 ken to pieces: the eyes of the wicked shall
 faile, their refuge shall perish, their hope
 shall be sorrow of mind. Job. 11. 20.
 Deut. 28. 7. The Lord shall cause thine
 enemies that rise up against thee, to be
 smitten before thy face.*

Seest thou many to rise up to trou-
 ble thee? apply, thine enemies that rise
 against thee, shall fall before thy face.
 Hope they to prevaile against thee?
 apply, their hope shal be sorrow of mind:

Have

Have they great meanes to cause them to prosper? apply, *Their refuge shall perish.* Have they long oppressed thee? apply, *The rod of the wicked shall not alwayes rest upon the lot of the righteous.* Seest thou no meanes to get from them? say with the Prophet David, *I will call upon the Lord, so shall I be safe from mine enemies.*

THE C. LEGACY.

That thou mayest be delivered, and thine enemies afflicted.

THAT thou mayest be delivered, & thine enemies afflicted in thy stead, apply, Deut. 32. 7. *The Lord thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecute thee.* Prov. 21. 18. *The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.*

The

The CI. LEGACY.

If thou wouldest have thine enemies
destroyed, &c.

IF thou wouldst have thine enemies destroyed, apply, Job 8. 22. They that hate thee shall be cloathed with shame, and the dwelling place of the wicked shall come to nought.

Isai. 41. 11. 13. 15. Behold all they which were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded, they shall be as nothing, and they that strive with thee shall perish: for I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Feare not, I will helpe thee. Thou shalt thresh the mountaines and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaffe, by which mountaines and hills is meant the greatest enemies. 1 Sam 2. 30. They that despise me shall be lightly esteemed. These promises are to be
applied

applied by us, as they are the enemies of God and his Gospell, and ours for his sake.

The CII. LEGACY.

If the wicked plot against thee.

IF the wicked plot against thee, apply, Psa. 37. 12. *The wicked plot against the just, their sword shall enter into their owne heart, their bow shall be broken. The Lord shall laugh at him. Isai. 54. 15. The enemies shall surely gather themselves together against thee, but not by me; whosoever shall gather themselves together against thee shall fall.*

The CIII. LEGACY.

In the troubles of the Church.

IN the troubles of the Church, apply, Psal. 128. 6. *Thou shalt see peace upon Israel, verse 5. Thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem at the dayes of thy life Jer. 31. 12. Thou shalt come and sing in the*

the height of Sion: when thou hast applied the promises, and used all the meanes, and yet findest not thy selfe filled with God, as thou desirest, then comfort thy selfe with this, Yet a little while, and when thou awakest, thou shalt be satisfied with his image. Psal. 17. 15.

THE CIV. LEGACY.

For the fall of Antichrist.

BEcause the time draweth neere of the fall of Antichrist, we must stir up our selves to hasten the Lord by earnest prayers, and for the strengthening of our faith, apply these promises, Rev. 17. 16. *And the tenne hornes which thou sawest upon the Beast, these shall hate the Whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh and shall burne her with fire, Rev. 18. 8, 21. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death and mourning, and famine, and she shall be utterly burnt with*

with fire, for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her. And a mighty Angell tooke up a stone, like a great Milstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be throwne downe, and shall be found no more at all. Even so come Lord Jesus, and hasten this happy day.

The CV. LEGACY.

For the calling of the Jewes.

SEeing the Lord hath promised many glorious things to the Jews with much grace and peace, both to the Jewes and Gentiles at their conversion; when the tenne tribes shall be reunited to the two, which never yet was, let us never give him rest til he set up *Jerusalem* the praise of the world, and for the strengthening of us in prayer, apply these promises: Ezek. 37. 21, 22. Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I wil take the children of Israel

Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their owne land: and I will make them one Nation, in the land upon the mountaines of Israel: and one King shall be King to them all, and they shall be no more two Nations; neither shall they be divided into two Kingdomes any more at all.

Jer. 3. 18. In those dayes the house of Judah shall walke with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the North to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers. Iſai. 60. 2, 3, 4, 5. 15, 16. The Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seene upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to the light, and Kings to the brightnesse of the rising, thy sonnes shall come from farre, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side: then thou shalt see and flow together, and thine heart shall feare and be enlarged, because the Sea shall

shall be converted unto thee: the forces of the Gentiles shal come unto thee. Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternall excellency, a joy of many generations: Thou shalt also suck the milke of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breasts of Kings. Isai. 62. 2, 3 49. The Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all Kings thy glory, and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name, thou shalt also be a crowne of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royall diadem in the hand of thy God. Isai. 61. 4, 5, 6. They shall build the old wasts, they shall raise up the former desolations, they shall repaire the wast cities, the desolations of many generations; And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, & the sonnes of the alien shall be your plough-men, and your vine-dressers, but yee shall be named the Priests of the Lord, men shal cal you the Ministers of
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our God ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall you boast yourselves. *Isai. 48. 22.* Thus saith the Lord: Behold, I will lift up my hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people and they shall bring thy sonnes in their armes, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders, and Kings shall be thy nursing Fathers, and their Queenes thy nursing Mothers, and they shall bow downe to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet.



*A Post-script sent from the
Author.*

THese promises I have observed; many more there be of most excellent use, but because they need opening for the understanding of them, I would not set them downe, lest through the shallownesse of my understanding I should wrong the precious promises: but I picked out the most plain, and those that I found of continuall use for soul and body, which I have found much good by, for the promises are our Legacies bequeathed to us in the will of our Father, and we are to claim them, as we stand in need of any of them; and surely that
God

God which would not have children wronged in that which is bequeathed to them in the will of their Fathers, much lesse will he with-hold that which his Son hath bequeathed to us in his last will, which he sealed with his blood. Therefore let us sue for them; for he saith, he will be sought to performe them to us. And when thou applyest any promise, seeke unto the condition, and labour to keep it, and doubt not of the performance of what is promised, for he is both able and faithfull that hath promised.

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AN
EPITOME OF PROMISES FOR THE SAINTS
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Promises.

I.

THat God hath freely loved his
 Elect in Christ Jesus.

*I will be gracious, to whom I will be
 gracious: and I will shew mercy, on whom
 I will shew mercy, Exod. 33. 19.*

*I, even I am he that blotteth out thy
 transgression for mine owne sake, Esa.
 43. 25.*

*I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy
 transgressions. Esa. 44. 22.*

*I will heale their back-slidings: I will
 love them freely. Hosea 14. 4.*

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II.

That God hath given Christ to death
For his Elect.

I will put enmity between thee and the
woman: it shall bruiſe thy head, and thou
ſhalt bruiſe his beele. Gen. 3.15.

But he was wounded for our transgreſ-
ſions. Iſai. 53.5.

When he ſhall make his ſoul an offering
for ſin. 10.

He was numbred with the transgreſſors
and bare the ſins of many. 12.

Seventy weeks are determined upon
thy people to finiſh the transgreſſions, and
to make an end of ſinne. Dan. 9.24.

III

That we are freely juſtified by Jeſus Chriſt.
So by the obedience of one, many ſhall be
made righteous. Rom. 5.19.

And are juſtified freely by his grace,
through the redemption that is in Chriſt
Jeſus. Rom. 3.24.

By his knowledge shall my righteous
servant justifie many. Isa. 53. 11.

IV

That God hath made a Covenant with his Chil-
dren to be their God.

I will establisth my covenant betweene
me and thee, and thy seed after thee in
their generations for an everlasting Co-
venant; to be a God unto thee and to thy
seed after thee. Gen. 17. 7.

I will walke among you, and will bee
your God, and you shall be my people. Lev.
26. 26.

With great and eternal mercies will I
gather thee. Isai. 54. 7.

I will be their God, and they shall be
my people. Jer. 31. 33.

I will say to them, Thou art my people;
and they shall say, thou art my God. Hos.
2. 23.

V.

That God will call his Children to the knowledge of his Truth.

The meeke will he teach his wayes.
Psal. 25.9.

I will instruct thee, and teach thee in all the way that thou shalt goe. Psalme 32.8.

All thy Children shall be taught of the Lord. Esa. 54.13.

For they shall all know mee from the least of them to the greatest, saith the Lord. Jer. 31.34.

I am the Lord thy God, which teacheth thee to profit, and leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest goe. Esa. 48.17.

VI

That God will give his Spirit unto his Children.

I will powre out my spirit upon you.
Prov. 1.23.

I will powre water upon him that is thirsty. Esa. 44.3.

*I will put my spirit within you. Ezek.
36. 27.*

*I will poure out my spirit upon all
flesh. Joel 2. 28.*

*I will poure upon the house of David
the spirit. Zach. 12. 10.*

*I will pray unto the Father, and he
shall give you even the spirit of Truth.
John 14. 16, 17.*

VII.

*That God will cause his Children to trust in
him by Faith.*

*Many shall see it and feare it, and shall
trust in the Lord. Psal. 40. 3.*

*Under his wings shalt thou trust.
Psal. 91. 4.*

*On my armes shall they trust. Isai.
51. 1.*

*The just shall live by his faith. Nab.
2. 4.*

*They shall trust in the name of the
Lord. Zeph. 3. 12.*

In his name shall the Gentiles trust.
Matth. 12. 21.

VIII.

That God will give his Children an humble
and broken heart.

I will take the stony heart out of their
flesh, and will give them a heart of flesh.
Ezek. 11. 19.

I will pour on them the spirit of sup-
plication, and they shall mourne for him
as one mourneth for his onely son. Zach.
12. 10.

Every mountaine and hill shall be
brought low. Luk. 3. 5.

The Lord thy God will circumcise thy
heart. Deut. 10. 6.

IX.

That Gods Children shall have power to morti-
fie and overcome sin.

For sin shall not have dominion over
you

you, for ye are not under the law, but under Grace. Rom. 6. 12.

I will sprinkle cleane water upon you, and ye shall be cleansed from all your filthinesse. Ezek. 36. 25.

He will subdue our iniquities. Micah. 7. 19.

IX

Every branch that beareth fruit he purgeth it.

X

That the children of God shall live a holy, and sanctified life.

He shall be like a tree that bringeth forth fruit in his season. Psal. 1. 3.

I will put my law into their inward parts. Jer. 31. 33.

The scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon. Hosea 14. 7.

For their sakes sanctifie I my selfe, that they may be sanctified through the Truth. John 17. 19.

In holinesse and righteousness all the

danger of our lives. Luk. 1. 75.

The Lord of peace sanctifie you throughout. 1 Thes. 5. 23.

Faithfull is he that hath promised you. vers. 24.

XI.

They that love God.

I will circumcise thy heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soule, that thou mayest live. Deut. 30. 6.

XII.

That God will give his Children hearts to delight in all his holy Ordinances.

With gladnesse and rejoycing shall they be brought. They shall enter into the Kings Pallace. Psal. 45. 15.

Therefore with joy shall they draw waters out of the wells of Salvation. Esa. 12. 3.

And

And in this mountaine shall the Lord of Hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, 25.26.

Even them will I bring to my holy mountaine, and make them joyfull in my house of Prayer, 56.7.

Ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon her knees, 66.12.

So will I comfort you, and ye shall be comforted, 13.

And when you see this, your hearts shall be comforted, 14.

The feast of the tenth month shall be unto the house of Judah, joy & gladnesse, and chearefull Feasts, Zach.8.19.

XIII.

That God will give his Children hearts to fear and serve him.

They shall sanctifie my name, and sanctifie the holinesse of Iacob, and shall feare the God of Israel. Esa.29.23.

They shall serve the Lord their God

The Saints support

and David their King. Ier.30.9.

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve him without feare. Luk.1.74.

XIV.

That God will give his Children hearts to seeke him by prayer.

He shall call upon me, and I will heare him. Psal.91.15.

Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall pray unto me, and I will heare you. Ier.26.12.

And ye shall seeke mee and find me: search for me with all your hearts.13.

I will powre upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of Grace and of supplication. Zach. 12.10.

XV.

*That God will hear the Prayers of his Children.
Call upon me in the day of Trouble, and*

I will deliver thee. Psal. 50. 15.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him. 91. 15.

He will heare their cry, and will save them. 145. 19.

Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer. Esa. 58. 9.

Before they call, I will answer, and while they are speaking I will heare. 65. 24.

He shall seeke mee and shall find mee, when you shall seeke I will be found of you. Ier. 29. 13, 14.

Ye shall aske what you will, and it shall be done unto you John 15. 7.

Aske and it shall be given you : seeke and ye shall find. Math. 7. 7.

Whatsoever ye shall aske in prayer, beleeving ye shall receive. Mat. 21. 22.

XVI.

That we may persevere in grace.

They shall bring forth fruit in their old

old age, Psalme 21.14.

His lease shall not wither. 1. 2.

The Lord shall guide thee continually;
and satisfy thy soul in drought; and
make fat thy bones; and thou shalt be
like a watered Garden and like a spring
whose waters faile not, Esay 58.11.

XVII.

That God will give unto his Children the good
things of this life.

But the meeke shall inherit the earth:
and shall delight themselves in the a-
bundance of peace, Psalme: 37. 11.

There is no want to them that seek him
Psalme 34. 11.

They that seek the Lord shall not want
any good thing, 10.

No good thing shall be withhold from
them that walk uprightly, Psal. 84. 11.

XVIII.

XVIII.

That God will guide his children by his special providence in all their wayes.

I will not leave thee nor forsake thee.

Heb. 13.15.

Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble, Pro. 3. 23. For the Lord shall be thy Confidence, 26.

He shall give his angels charge over thee to keepe thee in all thy wayes, Psalm 91.11.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, 121.8.

And even to your old age I am he, and even to hoare-haires will I carry you, Esay 46.4.

XIX.

That God will blesse those which are diligent in their Calling.

The Lord will command the blessing upon

upon thee in all thou settest thy hand. unto, Deut. 28.8.

Thou shalt eat the labour of thy hand: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee, Psalm 128.2.

The hand of the diligent maketh rich, Prov. 10.4.

He that tilleth his land, shall be satisfied with bread, 12.11.

XX.

That God will blesse those that keepe his Sabbath.

Blessed is the man that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it. Esa. 56.2.

If thou turne away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day: and call the Sabbath a delight 58.2.

Then shall, &c. 14.

Then this city shall remaine for ever. Jer. 17.24, 25.

XXI.

That God will reward those that are fruitsfull
in good workes.

He hath given to the poore: his righteousness indureth for ever. Ps. 112. 9.

The liberall soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth, shall be watered also himselfe. Pro. 11. 25.

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase. Prov. 3. 9.

So shall thy barnes be filled with plenty: and thy presses shall burst with new wine. 10.

He that hath a bountifull eye shall be blessed: for he giveth of his bread to the poore. Pro. 22. 9.

He that giveth to the poore shall not lack: but he that hideth his eye shall have many a curse. Prov. 28. 27.

Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many dayes. Eccles. 11. 1.

Blessed

Blessed are the mercifull, for they shall obtaine mercy, Mat. 5.7

Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water: he shall in no wise lose his reward. Mat. 10. 42.

Then shall the King say to them on his right hand, Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdome prepared for you from the foundation of the world, 25. 34.

XXII.

That we shall receive good by the society of the faithfull.

He that walketh with wise men shall be wise, Prov. 13. 20.

Then they that fear the Lord, spake often one to another: and they hearkned and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him, for them that feared the Lord and thought upon his Name, Malachy 3. 16.

And

And they shall be mine, saith the Lord God of Hosts, in that day when I make up my Jewels, and I will spare them, as a man spareth his owne sonne that serveth him, 17.

For where two or three be gathered together in my name: there am I in the midst of them, Mat. 18. 20.

XXIII.

That God will keep afflictions from his Children, as it may be for their good.

The lord shall preserve thee from all evill, Psal. 121. 7.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth and for evermore.

He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and Buckler Psal. 91. 4.

There shall no evill befall thee, neither

ther shall any plague come neare thy dwelling, 10.

As the mountaines are about Ierusalem, so is the Lord about his people for ever, Psalme 115.2.

XXIII.

That otherwise God will be with, preserve, and keepe his Children in afflictions, that they hurt them not.

In all their afflictions, he was afflicted, and the Angell of his presence saved them: in his love, and in his pity he redeemed them, and he bare them and carryed them all the dayes of old, Esa. 63.9.

They shall not be ashamed in the evill time, and in the dayes of famine they shall be satisfied, Psa. 37.19. He is their strength in the time of trouble, 39. The Lord shall helpe and deliver them from the wicked, and save them because they trust in him. 40. Feare thou not, for I

am with thee, be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will helpe thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Feare not thou worme, Jacob: I will helpe thee, saith the Lord God, and thy Redeemer the holy one of Israel, 14.

When thou passest through the water, I will be with thee: and through the Rivers that they shall not overflow thee. When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burnt: neither shall the flames kindle upon thee, Esay 43.2.

XXV.

That God will deliver his children out of afflictions in his due time.

He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noysome pestilence. I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him and honour him. 15.

Many are the troubles of the righteous,

but the Lord deliuereth them out of them
all. Psal. 34. 19.

Call upon me in the day of trouble, and
I will deliver thee. Psal. 50. 15.

I will restore health unto thee: I will
heale thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord
Jer. 30. 17.

I will deliver thee in that day, and
thou shalt not fall by the sword. Jer. 39. 18.
John. 3. 19.

XXVI.

That God will sanctifie all afflictions for the
good of his people.

I will turne my hand upon thee, and
purely purge away thy drosse and take a-
way all thy tynne. Esa. i. 25.

By this therefore shall the iniquity of
Iacob be purged, and this is all the fruit,
to take away his sinne. Esa. 27. 9.

And some of them of understanding
shall fall, to try them, and to purge and
make

make them white. Dan. 11. 35.

Many shal be purified and made white and tryed. Dan. 12. 10.

And I will bring the third part through the fire : and I will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tryed; they shall call on my name, and I will heare them Zach. 13. 9.

XXVII.

That God in his owne time will subdue all the enemies of his Church.

I will subdue all thy enemies. 2. Chr. 17.

I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the King of Assyria, and the glory of his high lookes. Esa. 10. 12.

Therefore I will put my hooke in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips: and I will turn thee back by the way which thou camest. Esa. 37. 29.

For the armes of the wicked shall be broken. Psal. 37. 17.

I am against thee O Gog, Ezek. 39. 1.

And I will turne thee backe, 2.

And then shall that wicked be revealed whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of his mouth; and shall destroy with the brightnesse of his comming, 2 Theff. 2. 8.

And the ten hornes, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burne her with fire, Rev. 17. 6.

I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and I will cause thy arrowes to fall out of thy right hand, Ezek. 39. 3.

XXVIII.

That the children of God shall dye happily.

They shall come to the grave in a ful age: like a thocke of Corne cometh in his season, Job 5. 26.

He shall goe in peace, they shall rest in their beds: each one walking in his uprightness, Esa. 57. 1.

Marke

Marke the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace, Psalme 37.37.

XXIX.

That the just shall be raised unto eternall life

I will ransom them from the power of the grave: I wil redeem them from death. O death, I will be thy plague: O grave, I will be thy destruction, Hof. 13.14.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake to everlasting life, and some to shame, Dan. 12.2.

All that are in the graves shall come forth: they that have done good, unto the Resurrection of life, John 5.29.

I wil raise him up at the last day, 6.40.

He that raised the Lord Jesus, shall raise us up also by Jesus 2Cor. 4.14.

When Christ who is our life shall appeare, then shall yee appeare with him in glory, Coloss. 3.4.

XXX.

That God will reward the labours of the righteous in the life to come.

Rejoyce and be glad, for great is your reward in heaven, Matth. 5. 12.

Whosoever shall forsake houses or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands for my Names sake, he shall receive a hundred fold more, & shall inherit everlasting life. 19. 29.

Come yee blessed of my Father: inherit ye the Kingdome prepared for you before the foundation of the world. Math. 25. 34.

Thou shalt be recompenced at the resurrection of the just. Luk. 14. 14.

He that overcometh shall inherit all things. Rev. 21. 7.

XXXI.

That God will make good and performe all that
he hath promised.

And I will performe the Oath which I
sware unto Abraham thy Father, Gen.
26.3.

Know therefore that the Lord thy God
he is God; the faithfull God; which kee-
peth Covenant and mercy with them that
love him, Deut.7.9.

Blessed be the Lord that hath given
rest unto his people; there hath not failed
one word of all his good promises which
he promised, 1 Kings 8.5,6.

My covenant will I not breake, nor al-
ter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
Psalme 89.34.

Thus saith the Lord, If you can break
my Covenant of the day, and my Cove-
nant of the night, that there should not
be day and night in their season, Jer.33.

Then may also my covenant be broken,
21.

For all the promises of God in him are
Yea, and in him, Amen. 2 Cor. I. 20.



I **G**ive me understanding and I
shall keepe thy Word: yea, I
will observe it with my whole heart,
Psalme 119.34.

Deale with thy servant according
to thy mercies, and teach me thy sta-
tutes, *Psal. 119.124.*

2 How sweet are thy words un-
to my tast: yea, sweeter then ho-
ney to my mouth, *Psal: 119.103.*

What shall I render unto the Lord
for all his benefits towards me? *Psal.*
116.12.

3 Consider how I love thy pre-
cepts, quicken me O Lord according
to thy loving kindnesse, *Psal. 119.159*

With

With my whole heart have I sought thee, O let me not wander from thy Commandements, *Psal.* 119. 10.

4 For ever, O Lord thy word is settled in Heaven: thy faithfullnesse is unto all generations, 113. 9.

Plead my cause and deliver mee, quicken me according to thy word, *Psalme* 19. 154.

5 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven and in earth, *Psal.* 135. 6.

Make me to understand the way of thy precepts, so shall I talke of thy wondrous workes, *Psal.* 111. 27.

6 Remember thy word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope, *Psal.* 119. 49.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high? *Psal* 113. 5.

7 Incline my heart unto thy Testimonies, and not to covetousnesse, *Psal.* 119. 36.

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When my spirit was overwhelmed
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Psal. 142. 3.

8 My soul is continually in my
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Psal. 119. 109.

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119. 38.



A
**Postscript to all true
 BELIEVERS.**

Gracious Beleevers,

K Nowing you to be the onely
 Heires of those rich and pre-
 cious promises, which it hath
 pleased our gracious father freely
 to give unto his beloved children:
 I have presumed without your
 knowledge, to bequeath unto you
 a fatherlesse child, brought forth in-
 to the world without the Parents
 knowledge, hoping you will not be
 unwilling to lett it passe under your
 favourable protection. For the sub-

iest matter of it, it is very beautifull, and of such use, as no child of God can passe to Heaven without it, and in that regard, it shall be no shame unto you whom the Lord hath honoured with the grace of beleeving, to accept of this small treatise, from one that desires your prospering in your souls and bodies. There is no blemish in this that I dedicate unto you, but such as came by the hands of the unskilfull bringer forth of it, which only minded their owne good in it. And weighing daily the beauty of it, and the sweet refreshing strength which flowed from it, for the overcoming of those three deadly enemies, the Devill, Sinne, and the World, they desired that God would be pleased to move the minds of some of his most skilfull workmen, to put to their hands to frame a more perfect

perfect worke upon so perfect a subject, and to give a more comely forme to this so beautifull a subject, and till then they intended to smother in their bosomes the beauty of this, rather then to bring it forth with the blemishes of their unskilfulnesse. But the good that may be gained by it, being inutterable, I hope grace in the hearts of Gods people will cause them, like the Bee, to sucke out the sweet and nourishing vertue of these fragrant flowers, that grow here and there in the garden of Gods word, and not with discontent to cast away this pleasant posie, gathered out of the celestiall Eden of the sacred Scriptures, because an unskilful hand, & indeed unworthy, hath bound up together, not so orderly as might please the curious eye of man, no nor their

owne, neither was it their ayme so to doe. If any gaine any good by it, the gatherer of these sweet flowers together, neither deserves nor desires thanks, for they intended it to none, but to themselves and some private friends, whose opportunity wrung some copies from them, and now without their consent have published it. And now since it is published and cannot be stopped, the Lord cause it to worke in all his, according to that which he hath given the promises for to worke in the hearts of his people, even to make them partakers of the divine nature, 2 Pet. 1. 4. And as a meanes to make them to take every day a little posy from the rest, one of the promises gathered together, and apply it thy selfe, see how thou standest in need of it, and every word in it, and then apply it to thy selfe

selfe by faith, and let it stirre thee up to goe to God in prayer for the accomplishment of them unto thee, then wait in the diligent use of all meanes for the gaining of them, and you shall find God not only making you heirs of promises, but you shall be comfortable possessors of those many good things which God hath promised to Beleevers. The more you meditate, and the oftner you pray upon them, the more good will you see in them, and find flow from them. I say no more, but I doubt not, but your experiences of good by these promises will be more then I can make knowne unto you. I desire the God of mercies, our loving father, in our Lord Iesus Christ, in whom all the promises are Yea, and Amen, to make you dayly find experimentally, the truth of all his gracious promises.

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and ready finding out of any
Promise in this Book, for the com-
fortable supply of present necessity:
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where the Promise (we
would have) is
to be found.**

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